City of Long Beach



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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to execute all necessary documents to participate in the Securing the Cities (STC) Grant Program. (Citywide)

On October 15, 2012, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced the expansion of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Securing the Cities (STC) Grant Program to the Los Angeles/Long Beach area. The STC Grant Program is designed to enhance the nation's ability to detect and prevent a radiological or nuclear attack in cities facing the highest risk.

As part of the STC Grant Program, the City of Los Angeles has been awarded a direct grant of \$1.5 million for planning and training, and will be eligible to receive additional funding pending Congressional appropriations to build a region-wide, robust nuclear detection capability. Under the STC Grant Program, DNDO will partner with the City of Los Angeles Mayor's office to develop a regional team of law enforcement and first responders to identify, prevent and respond to potential nuclear or radiological threats.

The City of Long Beach has been identified as an important regional partner in this effort. Police Department (PD) staff has been invited to participate in the regional planning, training, exercise, and dissemination of STC Grant Program resources. City Council approval is requested to sign the Subrecipient Agreement required for participation in the STC Grant Program, and reimbursement of certain personnel costs as approved by the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Kendra Carney on August 5, 2014 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on July 30, 2014.

City Council action on this matter is requested on September 2, 2014, to expedite use of the grant funds.

By executing the Securing the Cities (STC) Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement, the City of Long Beach will not directly receive any grant funds, but will be eligible to receive reimbursement of personnel costs for certain training and exercise-related costs as set forth in the Agreement. The City agrees to work with the City of Los Angeles and dedicate personnel to complete the mission of the grant. Direct costs for staff time associated with participation in this STC Grant Program are budgeted in the General Fund (GP) in the Police Department (PD). There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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