City of Long Beach



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract and all necessary amendments, including term extensions, with the County of Los Angeles to receive and expend Department of Homeland Security grant funding for the 2015 State Homeland Security Program, in an amount not to exceed \$579,491, for a period ending March 31, 2018; and

Increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund (SR 120) in the Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications Department (DC) by \$63,000 and in the Fire Department (FD) by \$516,491, offset by grant revenue. (Citywide)

The State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) provides funding to enhance the capability of local agencies to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism. The SHSP grant is awarded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency via the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services. The Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office provides regional administration of the SHSP grant. City Council authorization is required to accept the grant funds, execute a contract and necessary amendments and increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund. The contract term will be from September 1, 2015, to March 31, 2018.

The City of Long Beach has been a recipient of SHSP funding since 2003. The funding has been used to enhance the response capabilities of the City by providing funding for training, exercises and equipment. The SHSP 2015 grant, in an amount of \$579,491, will be used to support regional area training activities of catastrophic and all hazard incident planning and response capabilities, and to fund the coordination and delivery of regional Homeland Security exercises, evaluation and training programs.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Monica J. Kilaita on December 14, 2016 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Gharib on December 20, 2016.

City Council action on this matter is requested on January 17, 2017, to ensure the City can expend these funds within the performance period of the grant.

These funds are not budgeted; therefore, an appropriation increase in the amount of \$579,491 is included in the recommendation and as noted below:

DepartmentFundTotalDisaster Preparedness (DC)General Grants (SR120)\$ 63,000Fire (FD)General Grants (SR120)\$ 516,491

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Total \$ 579,491

All grant expenses will be fully offset by grant reimbursement revenue and there are no matching funds required. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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