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 Department of Homeland Security to receive and expend grant funding for the 2019 Port Security Grant Program, in an amount not to exceed \$1,743,460, for a period ending August 31, 2022; and

Increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund Group in the Fire Department by \$500,000 and in the General Grants Fund Group in the Police Department by \$1,243,460, offset by grant revenue. (Citywide)

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has approved grant proposals submitted by the Fire Department and Police Department under the Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 19) Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) for a total amount of \$1,743,460, including a cost-match. The grant priorities focus on infrastructure protection and reflect the DHS overall investment strategy, in which two priorities have been paramount: risk-based funding and regional security cooperation. PSGP funds support increased port-wide risk management, enhanced domain awareness, training and exercise, and further capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to, and recover from attacks involving improvised explosive devices (IED) and other non-conventional weapons.

The Fire Department has been approved for project costs of \$500,000 to sustain and enhance Hazmat and Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive connectivity capabilities. The Police Department has been approved for project costs of \$1,243,460 to fund the maintenance of dive equipment, vessels, and radiological/nuclear materials detection vehicles, Dive Team training, and joint training/exercises with the Harbor Patrol.

This grant requires a cost-match of non-federal funds of \$435,865. On February 10, 2020, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approved the requested cost-match of \$435,865 for the Fire and Police Departments projects.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Sarah E. Green on May 11, 2020 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on May 14, 2020.

City Council action is requested on June 2, 2020, to ensure the City can expend these funds within the performance period of the grant.

Program costs will be offset by federal grant revenues of \$1,307,595 and the Port of Long Beach cost match of \$435,865, for a total program budget of \$1,743,460. As the grant funds are not budgeted, an appropriation increase in the amount of \$1,743,460 is included in the

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recommendation as follows:

<u>Department</u> <u>Fund Group</u> <u>Total</u>

Fire General Grants \$ 500,000 Police General Grants \$1,243,460

Total \$1,743,460

Future maintenance costs for the equipment acquired under this grant will be included as project proposals in future PSPG grants. If not funded in future grants, the costs would be borne by a combination of the General Fund Group and other available funds. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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