



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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June 15, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
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RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract and all necessary amendments, including term extensions, with the County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office to receive and expend U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant funding for the 2009 Emergency Management Program Grant, and increase appropriations by \$47,603 in the General Grants Fund (SR 120) and the Fire Department (FD). (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In November 1999, the City of Long Beach entered into a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Avalon and the City of Signal Hill, known as the Los Angeles County Disaster Management Area F (Area F), for the purpose of coordinating disaster management preparedness with the County of Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office recently advised the City of Long Beach that the 2009 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program funds have been awarded. This grant is appropriated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and managed through the State of California Emergency Management Agency and the Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office. Under this grant program, the Long Beach Fire Department will receive a total of \$47,603. These funds will be utilized for the purpose of disaster management efforts in Area F including planning, training and equipment as approved by the Area F Governing Board. The City of Long Beach is the lead agency of the Area F JPA and manages these funds on behalf of the Area F JPA.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on May 6, 2010 and Budget Officer Victoria Bell on May 7, 2010.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council approval is requested on June 15, 2010, to ensure timely acceptance of these grant dollars.

FISCAL IMPACT/JOB IMPACT

As this grant is currently unbudgeted, an appropriation increase of \$47,603 is included in the recommendation. The expense appropriations will be fully offset by grant revenues. The grant does require matching funds, which will be met by existing General Fund appropriation utilized for current City staff time in Disaster Management Bureau labor costs. There is no immediate impact to the General Fund; however, due to time delays between incurring expenditures and receiving revenues, it may be necessary for the General Fund to advance cash to cover grant-related expenses until reimbursement revenues are received. There is no local job impact associated with this grant.

SUGGESTED ACTION:


Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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FIRE CHIEF

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER