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September 14, 2021

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the 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 2020 Port Security Grant Program, in the amount of \$525,000 and the Port of Long Beach cost match of \$175,000, for a total project cost amount not to exceed \$700,000, for a period ending August 31, 2023; and,

Increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund Group in the Police Department by \$700,000, offset by federal grant revenues of \$525,000 and the Port of Long Beach cost match of \$175,000. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has approved the grant proposal submitted by the Police Department under the FY 2020 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) for a total project cost of \$700,000, 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 Police Department has been approved for project costs of \$700,000 to fund the joint training/exercises with the Harbor Patrol. Training and exercises will ensure the sustainment of core capabilities for first responders. These funds will enhance the skills and knowledge necessary to provide a rapid response to a catastrophic incident, mitigate the negative impact of the threat, and reduce recovery time.

This grant requires a cost-match of \$175,000. On April 12, 2021, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approved the requested cost-match for the grant in the amount of \$175,000 for the Police Department project.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Arturo D. Sanchez on August 24, 2021 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on August 23, 2021.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 14, 2021, to ensure the City can expend these funds within the performance period of the grant.


FISCAL IMPACT

Program costs will be offset by federal grant revenues of \$525,000 and the Port of Long Beach cost match of \$175,000, for a total program budget of \$700,000. As the grant funds are not budgeted, an appropriation increase in the amount of \$700,000 is requested in the General Grants Fund Group in the Police Department, offset by grant revenue. 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.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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CITY MANAGER