

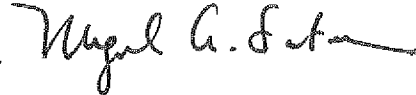
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To: The Mayor
The Council

From: Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer



Reference: Transmittal from the Mayor dated September 12, 2011; referred for report September 16, 2011; additional information received through October 5, 2011.

Subject: **FISCAL YEAR 2010 URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

SUMMARY

The Mayor's Office of Homeland Security and Public Safety (Mayor's Office) is requesting authority to modify the grant budget of the Fiscal Year 2010 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY10 UASI) Award to reallocate funds to support various projects and employee training. The grant performance period, October 28, 2010 through April 30, 2013, and the total grant award allocation, \$55.9 million, remain unchanged. In addition, the Mayor's Office is also requesting authority to execute three contract amendments with partner jurisdictions and one new contract with a consultant with regards to the requested budget modifications. A breakdown of budget modifications by jurisdiction is provided as Attachment 1 of the Mayor's transmittal dated August 5, 2011.

The goal of the UASI grant program is to improve the nation's readiness, response and recovery capabilities for both natural and man-made emergencies in high-threat, high-density urban areas. The Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area (LA/LB UA) is designated as one of ten highest risk urban areas in the country. The Council accepted the FY10 UASI grant on July 19, 2011 (C.F. 10-1166).

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) was originally allocated \$279,300 in the FY10 UASI budget for overtime and backfill for Hazardous Materials (HazMat) training and \$93,620 for backfill for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosive (CBRNE) training (C.F. 10-1166). Of this allocation, \$341,845 was modified to fund an Emergency Management Department (EMD) Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness (NEP) planning and exercise project (\$250,000) and equipment and consumables for LAFD's Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) training (\$91,845).

The City originally received FY10 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) funds to support various EMD and LAFD projects which included the NEP project and USAR training. However, due to the City's current financial situation and the inability to secure advance funding from the County for SHSGP funds, the two EMD projects and two LAFD projects were modified

between the FY10 SHSGP and the FY10 UASI grants. This would allow EMD and LAFD to request advanced funding in the FY10 UASI grant which is permissible by the terms of the grant. The modification between the two grants consisted only of changing the grant funding source of the four projects. The scopes of each project remain unchanged. A report dated August 22, 2011 was completed requesting authority to accept and modify the FY10 SHSGP budget (C.F. 11-1354). The Mayor's Office is requesting to modify the FY10 UASI grant budget in order to complete the change in grant funding source at this time. Grantor approval for the FY10 UASI modification to fund EMD's NEP project and LAFD's USAR training is pending. The Mayor's Office states that they do not anticipate any problems obtaining grantor approvals as these were previously approved projects. A breakdown of the modified FY10 UASI budget is provided as an attachment to the Mayor's transmittal.

Emergency Management Department – Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness

The EMD is requesting authority to contract with a private vendor to create a standardized emergency preparedness and response template which will serve as an emergency planning and response resource to more than 90 Neighborhood Councils and communities throughout the City. The selected vendor will conduct an exercise with a pilot community during Shakeout 2012 in accordance with the template to test the effectiveness and usefulness of the emergency preparedness and response plan template. Once the template has been finalized, the vendor will conduct informational workshops to neighborhood council leadership and community stakeholders to educate them on how to use the template, how to maximize the usefulness of the template, and how to incorporate it with existing emergency preparedness and response activities. A vendor will be selected through the City's Request for Proposals process to complete the NEP project. The Mayor's Office is requesting authority to contract with a selected vendor for a term of up to 21 months within the grant performance period for an amount not to exceed \$250,000 and to complete the necessary financial transfers within the LAFD and EMD appropriations accounts in the FY10 UASI fund.

Los Angeles Fire Department – Urban Search and Rescue Training Equipment and Consumables

A total of \$91,845 is being requested to purchase necessary training equipment and consumables for LAFD's USAR training. USAR training courses provide training to sustain existing UASR teams, including Weapons of Mass Destruction response training for all regional fire departments. Due to promotions and attrition, continuous training is required to maintain the minimum trained staffing levels as required under National Fire Protection Association 1670. Field and classroom training for USAR teams include but are not limited to the following courses: Trench Rescue, Structural Collapse Technician, Confined Space Rescue, Low Angle Rope Rescue Operational, Advanced Rope Rescue, Rescue Systems One, Swift Water Rescue, and Weapons of Mass Destruction consortium courses.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Authorize the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Modify the existing grant budget (C.F. 10-1166) for the Fiscal Year 2010 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY10 UASI) grant by reallocating funds between projects as described within this report and as listed in the summary of budget modifications as referenced in the Attachment of the Mayor’s transmittal dated September 12, 2011;
 - b. Negotiate and execute a contract for an amount not to exceed \$250,000 from the FY10 UASI grant for the Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness project, for a term of up to 21 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality;
2. Authorize the Controller to transfer appropriations within the Fund 53D, Department 46 for the reallocation of FY10 UASI grant funds from the Los Angeles Fire Department to the Emergency Management Department as follows:

	<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
FROM:	53D/46	46H938	LAFD	\$250,000
TO:	53D/46	46H935	EMD	\$250,000

3. Authorize the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of these actions. Approval of the recommendations within this report will allow for the continued expenditure of the Fiscal Year 2010 Urban Areas Security Initiative grant. These actions are in compliance with the City’s Financial Policies in that grant funds are sufficient to support the grant activities.