

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the acceptance of the continuation of the 2013 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Search and Rescue (USR) Task Force Cooperative Agreement grant.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer \$272,014.20 from Fund 100/38, Account 001012 (Salaries, Sworn) to the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) Grant Fund 335/38, Account 38013R (FEMA USR 2013), to support the necessary expense and purchase of equipment items that will be reimbursed by the FEMA grant.
2. AUTHORIZE the Chief, LAFD, or designee, to deposit the FEMA grant funds received under this Cooperative Agreement into the LAFD Grant Fund 335/38, Revenue Source Code 5161 (Reimbursement of Expenditures), and therefrom appropriate the same amount to Fund 335/38, Account 38013R (FEMA USR 2013).
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer appropriations from the LAFD Grant Fund 335/38, Account 38013R (FEMA USR 2013) to Fund 100/38, Account 001012 (Salaries, Sworn) and Account 001098 (Variable Staffing), to reimburse the LAFD based on the LAFD's submissions to the City Administrative Officer (CAO) documenting actual costs incurred as part of the FEMA USR Task Force Cooperative Agreement grant.
4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer the uncommitted balance of advanced funds, as referenced in Recommendation No. 1, as of April 1, 2016, from Fund 335/38, Account 38013R (FEMA USR 2013) to Fund 100/38, Account 001012 (Salaries, Sworn).
5. AUTHORIZE the LAFD to prepare Controllers instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO; and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that there is no additional General Fund impact as a result of these actions. Approval of the recommendations will allow for the continued expenditure of the 2013 FEMA USR Task Force Cooperative Agreement Grant. This is a reimbursement grant and all funds will be advanced by the LAFD from within its 2015-16 General Fund budget. The LAFD has sufficient funds to advance the grant funds. These actions are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that eligible program costs are reimbursed by the grant to support the grant activities.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on October 6, 2015, your Public Safety Committee considered a CAO report relative to the acceptance of the continuation of the 2013 FEMA USR Task Force Cooperative Agreement grant. The CAO reports that on February 11, 2014, the Council authorized the LAFD to accept the 2013 USR Task Force Cooperative Agreement grant in the amount of \$1,251,154 for the term of October 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015 (Council file No. 13-1618). Since then, FEMA has extended the grant performance period to March 31, 2016. The grant does not require City matching funds and provides for the purchase of equipment, uniforms, supplies and training.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations presented in the CAO transmittal, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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