File No. 14-0176-S2

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to reappropriating Fiscal Year 2013 (FY2013) Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) funding to enable the completion of training and equipment purchases.

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

- AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), to continue expenditure of FY2013 PSGP funds, from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in the amount of \$807,285 for the term of September 1, 2013, through August 31, 2015, and any extension of the performance period granted by FEMA.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the LAFD to expend up to the remaining balance amount of \$395,502 in accordance with the grant award agreement, of which up to \$263,602 will be spent from various salary accounts to cover backfill and overtime costs; and up to \$131,900 for equipment to be 75-percent reimbursed by this grant.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the LAFD to deposit FY2013 PSGP grant advances and/or reimbursements into Fund 335/38, Revenue Source Code 3811 (Reimb From Other Agencies), as grant funds are received, and therefrom appropriate the same amount to Fund 335/38, Account 38907K (2013 Port Security Grant).
- 4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer appropriations from Fund 335/38, Account 38907K (2013 Port Security Grant), to Fund 100/38, Account 001012 (Salaries, Sworn), Account 001093 (Overtime, Constant Staffing), and Account 001098 (Overtime, 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 FY2013 PSGP, through the end of the grant term of August 31, 2015, and any extension of the performance period granted by FEMA, in Fiscal Year 2015-16.
- 5. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer up to \$131,900 from Fund 100/38, Account 001012 (Salaries, Sworn), to Fund 335/38, Account 38907K (2013 Port Security Grant), to frontfund the purchase of equipment items.
- 6. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer the uncommitted balance of advanced funds, as referenced in Recommendation No. 5, as of April 1, 2016, from Fund 335/38, Account 38907K (2013 Port Security Grant), to Fund 100/38, Account 001012 (Salaries, Sworn).
- 7. AUTHORIZE the LAFD to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO; and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations within this report will allow for the continued expenditures of the remaining FY2013 PSGP. There is a 25-percent cost share requirement for this grant and 75-percent of the total expenditures will be reimbursed by the FEMA to the LAFD. This is a reimbursement grant and all funds will be advanced by the LAFD from within its 2015-16 General Fund budget. The Department has sufficient funds to advance the grant funds and cover the cost share requirement. 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 August 18, 2015, your Public Safety Committee considered Board of Fire Commissioners and CAO reports relative to reappropriating FY13 PSGP funding to enable the completion of training and equipment purchases. The CAO reports that on June 4, 2014, the Council authorized the Fire Chief to accept the FEMA award of the FY13 PSGP in the amount of \$807,285 for a grant performance period of September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2015. On August 5, 2015, the Board of Fire Commissioners approved the LAFD's report dated July 17, 2015 to reallocate the remaining \$395,502 in unexpended FY13 PSGP grant funds to allow for continued expenditure of grant funds in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The LAFD has requested a 180-day extension, which is pending grantor approval. An opportunity for public comment was held. After further discussion of the matter, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations as listed in the CAO report, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER

**VOTE** 

ENGLANDER: YES

BUSCAINO:

YES

BONIN:

YES YES

O'FARRELL: MARTINEZ:

**ABSENT** 

ME

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