



ERIC GARCETTI  
MAYOR

May 10, 2016

Honorable Members of the City Council  
c/o City Clerk  
Room 395, City Hall

Re: FY 2014 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Contracting Authorities and Budget Modifications (Council File No. 14-0820)

Dear Honorable Members:

Transmitted herewith for City Council consideration are proposed contracting authorities and budget modifications related to the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Fiscal Year 2014 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY14 UASI) grant award. On November 25, 2014, the City Council accepted the FY14 UASI grant in the amount of \$56,025,000 with a grant performance period from September 1, 2014 to May 31, 2016 (Council File No. 14-0820).

Los Angeles Emergency Management Department

*Los Angeles Operational Area Critical Incident Planning and Training Alliance*  
In FY14 UASI, the Emergency Management Department (EMD) received \$464,000 for salaries in support of catastrophic planning related activities for the Los Angeles Operational Area Critical Incident Planning and Training Alliance (Alliance). The Alliance uses a regional approach to planning that provides a framework for ongoing cooperation, communication, and coordination between multiple jurisdictions and disciplines; provides plan templates that are adaptable to the varying needs of jurisdictions throughout the region; and improves responder readiness.

Due to time constraints within the grant performance period and existing planning needs, EMD requests to reallocate reallocate \$122,667 from their Enhanced Incident Management Unified Command Training project and the remaining balance of \$144,024

from their Mobile Emergency Generator Facility Configuration project to Alliance salaries for the continued development of Mass Evacuation, Mass Transportation, Mass Fatality and additional catastrophic planning guides, templates and jurisdiction-specific plans. This modification is pending grantor approval.

Authority is being requested to modify the FY14 UASI grant budget by reallocating funds as indicated above and to conduct the necessary fiscal transfers between appropriations.

#### Los Angeles Fire Department

##### *Cost Savings*

As the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) completes their FY14 UASI grant projects, cost savings totaling \$53,964 have been identified from their Urban Search and Rescue and Heavy Rescue Apparatus (\$44,567), Training Consumables (\$5,809), and Palantir Maintenance (\$3,588) projects.

In order to fully expend the funds within the grant performance period, the above \$53,964 is being reallocated to the following existing LAFD planning and organization projects: LAFD Alliance staffing (\$50,226) and Joint Regional Intelligence Center staffing (\$3,739). This modification is pending grantor approval.

Authority is being requested to modify the FY14 UASI grant budget by reallocating funds as indicated above and to conduct the necessary transfer between appropriations.

#### Los Angeles Police Department

##### *Generators*

As the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) completes their FY14 UASI grant projects, cost savings totaling \$55,354 have been identified from their Alliance planning salary (\$53,504), iWatch overtime (\$838), Hydra overtime (\$348), and Automatic License Plate Reader overtime (\$664) projects. In order to address generator needs, the above \$55,354 cost savings is being reallocated to purchase generator accessories related to the regional generators purchased in FY13 UASI. This modification is pending grantor approval.

Authority is being requested to modify the FY14 UASI grant budget by reallocating funds as indicated above and to conduct the necessary transfers between appropriations.

### Mayor's Office

#### *Generators*

In FY 14 UASI, the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office was allocated \$100,000 for the maintenance and sustainment of regional generators purchased in FY13 UASI. Of these funds, the Mayor's Office requests to reallocate \$18,161 to the City of Los Angeles General Services Department for maintenance tasks and electrical labor for the regional generators. This modification is pending grantor approval.

Authority is being requested to modify the FY 14 UASI grant budget by reallocating funds as indicated above and to conduct the necessary transfers before appropriations.

#### *Management and Administration*

The federal grant guidelines allow up to 5% of the UASI grant for salary and fringe benefit costs for grant and financial management staff. As the administrator and fiscal agent of the UASI grant, the Mayor's Office funds grant and financial staff with the allowable 5% of management and administration funds. These costs were approved previously and the request is to continue to fund these projects until the grant deadline. The total amount being appropriated for management and administration funds is \$200,000.

### Partner Jurisdictions

In FY 14 UASI, the City of Alhambra was originally allocated a total of \$256,364. Due to cost savings from CBRNE and USAR projects, the City of Alhambra has requested to return \$86,110 to Vernon Fire Training Prop projects. This modification is pending grantor approval.

Authority is being requested to modify the FY14 UASI grant budget by reallocating funds as indicated above, and to negotiate and execute a contract amendment with the City of Alhambra and the City of Vernon.

### Other Projects

#### *Environmental Consultant*

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires Federal agencies to conduct an environmental impact analysis before instituting programs with potential environmental effects. Federal regulations require Federal agencies to conduct a factual investigation and an evaluation of alternatives, known as a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA), as part of an environmental impact analysis. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) uses the PEA, and sometimes Supplemental Environmental Assessments (SEA), as a framework to ensure NEPA compliance.

The Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS) is a collaborative effort of law enforcement, fire service and health service professionals with elected and appointed officials to implement a regional interoperable radio communications system. As part of the LA-RICS Land Mobile Radio (LMR) project, the LA-RICS Joint Powers Authority (JPA) is working with FEMA to complete a SEA in support of the LA-RICS LMR project. LMR project contemplates the construction of communication towers at various sites within the Los Angeles region. A SEA and Supplemental Decisions are required for each type of LMR tower site to be constructed.

In FY14 UASI, the Mayor's Office received \$99,999 to enter into a contract with an environmental consultant, AECOM Technical Services, Inc., to review materials received from the LA-RICS JPA and FEMA in support of the SEA for the LMR project for compliance with NEPA. However, due to the additional scope of work required for the preparation of the Final PEA, the Mayor's Office is requesting to increase AECOM Technical Services, Inc.'s contract by \$70,000, for a total allocation of \$169,999. In order to address these needs, \$53,000 will be reallocated from the City of Glendale's cost-savings from their FY 14 UASI Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) and Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) equipment projects. Additionally, \$17,000 of cost-savings will be reallocated from the Mayor's Office Interoperable Communications Plan project, which was also funded in FY14 UASI.

Authority is being requested to modify the FY14 UASI grant budget by reallocating funds as indicated above, and to negotiate and execute a contract amendment with AECOM and the City of Glendale.

## **Recommendations**

It is therefore requested that the City Council:

1. **Authorize** the Mayor, or designee, to:
  - a. Modify the existing grant budget (Council File No. 14-0820) for the FY14 UASI grant by reallocating funds between projects as described within this report;
  - b. Negotiate and execute a contract amendment with the City of Vernon to increase their total contract amount by \$86,110, from the previous authorized amount of \$2,052,518 to a new contract amount of \$2,138,628, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
  - c. Negotiate and execute a contract amendment with the City of Alhambra to decrease their total contract amount by \$86,110, from the previous

authorized amount of \$256,364, to a new contract amount of \$170,254, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;

- d. Negotiate and execute a contract amendment with the City of Glendale to decrease their total contract amount by \$53,000, from the previous authorized amount of \$1,551,677, to a new contract amount of \$1,498,677, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and
- e. Negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, a contract amendment with the AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to continue environmental documentation relative to NEPA compliance for a term of up to three months within the grant performance period, in an amount not to exceed \$169,999.

2. **Authorize** the Controller to:

- a. **Transfer** appropriations and create appropriation accounts within Fund 56Y, FY14 UASI, as follows:

**TRANSFER FROM:**

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
56Y/46	46L668	Partner Jurisdictions	\$53,000
56Y/46	46L935	EMD Grant Allocation	\$266,691
56Y/46	46L938	LAFD Grant Allocation	\$53,964
56Y/46	46L946	Grant Mgmt & Admin	\$235,161
56Y/46	46M170	Police	\$55,354
Total:			<b>\$664,170</b>

**TRANSFER TO:**

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
56Y/46	46L970	LAPD Grant Allocation	\$55,354
56Y/46	46M135	Emergency Management	\$266,691
56Y/46	46M138	LAFD	\$53,964
56Y/46	46M140	General Services	\$18,161
56Y/46	46M146	Mayor	\$146,445.06
56Y/46	46M299	Reimb. of Gen. Fund Costs	\$53,554.94
56Y/46	46L950	LA / LB Region	\$70,000
Total:			<b>\$664,170</b>

- b. **Transfer** appropriations within Fund 56Y, FY14 UASI to the General Fund to reimburse the General Fund for FY 2014 UASI, as follows:

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<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
56Y/46	46M135	Emergency Management	\$266,691
56Y/46	46M138	LAFD	\$53,964
56Y/46	46M140	General Services	\$18,161
56Y/46	46M146	Mayor	<u>\$146,445.06</u>
Total:			<b>\$485,261.06</b>

**TRANSFER TO:**

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
100/35	001010	Salaries General	\$266,691
100/38	001012	Salaries Sworn	\$53,964
100/40	001040	Salaries Construction	\$18,161
100/46	001020	Grant Reimbursed	<u>\$146,445.06</u>
Total:			<b>\$485,261.06</b>

3. **Authorize** the Controller to transfer up to \$53,554.94 from Fund No. 56Y, Account 46M299 to the General Fund 100/46, Revenue Source 5346, for reimbursement of grant-funded fringe benefits;
4. **Authorize** the Controller to transfer cash from Fund 56Y to reimburse the General Fund on an as-needed basis, upon presentation of proper documentation from the Los Angeles Fire Department, Los Angeles Police Department, and Los Angeles Emergency Management, subject to the Mayor's Office of Public Safety approval; and
5. **Authorize** the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Sincerely,



ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

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