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To:

The Mayor The Council

From:

Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer

Reference:

Transmittal from the Board of Police Commissioners dated November 24, 2015

Subject:

2015 PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM - POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) requests retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$637,500 grant award for the 2015 Port Security Grant (PSG) Program (Program) and to execute a grant award agreement with the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, for the period September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018.

## BACKGROUND

The PSG Program provides financial assistance to State, local agencies, and private sector partners to improve port-wide risk management, enhance domain awareness, provide maritime security training and exercises, and to maintain maritime security mitigation protocols that support port recovery and resiliency capabilities. The PSG Program is a cost-share reimbursement grant; the federal share of the grant is 75-percent with a 25-percent match provided by LAPD. Funding will be allocated to two project components, including:

Project Component	Grant Amount	Match Amount	Total Project Component Cost	Total Source of Funds for Match
LAPD Microwave Downlink Upgrade/Churchill System	\$562,500	\$187,500	\$750,000	Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles
LAPD Underwater Dive Unit Vessel Repair and Maintenance	\$75,000	\$25,000	\$100,000	Los Angeles Police Department Field Equipment Expense Account
TOTAL	\$637,500	\$212,500	\$850,000	

All of the funding sources for the 25-percent match have been included in the Department's 2015-16 Budget.

The following is a more detailed explanation of each of the two project components:

1. LAPD Microwave Downlink Upgrade/Churchill System (\$750,000)

Grant funds in the amount of \$562,500 will outfit one new LAPD aircraft with a new hi-definition camera, microwave downlink system and Churchill Navigation. The microwave downlink system transmits encrypted images from an aircraft to fixed or portable receivers. The Churchill Navigation system overlays data (street names and directions) to live video feed transmissions. The 25-percent match of \$187,500 will be paid for by Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles (MICLA) funds from Fiscal Year 2015 LAPD Department 70 Account L735 Police Helicopter Account.

2. LAPD Underwater Dive Unit Vessel Repair and Maintenance (\$100,000)

Grant funds in the amount of \$75,000 will be utilized to provide upgrades and maintenance to the vessels utilized by the LAPD Underwater Dive Unit. This funding will allow the vessels to be hauled out by an insured and bonded commercial boat yard with a certified marine crane and docking facility. The boat hulls will then be scraped, sanded and painted; marine electronic systems will receive needed upgrades; non-skid surfaces and rubberized linings and sponsons will be patched; and the electrical system and boat safety equipment will be serviced and updated as needed. The 25-percent match of \$25,000 will be paid for by LAPD Department 70 Account 3090 Field Equipment Expense Account.

Further details on the grant are provided in the Los Angeles Police Commission report dated November 18, 2015.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

- 1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or his designee, to:
  - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award of \$637,500 from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, for the Port Security Grant (PSG) Program for the period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018;
  - Negotiate and execute the Cooperative Agreement and submit any necessary documents relative to the grant award, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality;
- 2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department to:
  - a. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in Fund No. 339, Department No. 70;

- Spend up to the total grant amount of \$637,500 in accordance with the grant award agreement;
- 3. Authorize the Controller to:
  - a. Set up a grant receivable and appropriate \$637,500 to account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, for the disbursements of 2015 PSG grant funds;
- Authorize the LAPD to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject
  to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement
  the instructions.

#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations within this report will allow for the expenditure of the 2015 Port Security Grant (PSG) Program award from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency totaling \$637,500. The PSG requires a 25-percent match of \$212,500, which will be provided by: 1) Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles funds (\$187,500); and, 2) Los Angeles Police Department Field Equipment Expense Account funds (\$25,000). All of the funding sources for the 25-percent match have been included in the Department's 2015-16 Budget. Acceptance of the grant will have no additional impact on the General Fund. These actions are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that grant funds and special designated funds are sufficient to support the grant activities.

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