

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) deploys five fire boats located strategically around the Port of Los Angeles to provide protection of life, vessels and property. These boats have been important resources in maritime firefighting and other emergency responses, such as water rescue operations and medical emergencies. To enhance the delivery of services, expanding the fleet to include a fast response boat would enable the LAFD to reduce response times to emergency incidents. To that end, the LAFD was instructed to seek funding opportunities to purchase a fast response boat (Buscaino-Blumenfield; C.F. 15-1303).

In November 2015, City Council approved acceptance of the 2015 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) Award amounting to \$475,000 to fund Advanced Marine Firefighter (AMFF) training (\$175,000) and for design of a Regional Ship Training platform (\$300,000). The City cost share is 25% at \$118,750. The performance period is through August 31, 2018. To date, grant expenditures have totaled \$12,967 for Boat Operator Search and Rescue Training, with additional training to be held through the end of the performance period. The Ship Trainer project was contingent upon receipt of additional PSGP awards, which have not materialized. Therefore, the LAFD has requested and received approval from the grantor to modify the project from designing the Ship Trainer to purchasing a fast response boat. The remaining \$462,033 PSGP funds will be allocated to \$315,000 for the fast response boat purchase, and \$147,033 for training. The table below shows the cost share breakdown of the \$475,000 PSGP award. The \$78,750 City cost share for the boat purchase will be absorbed by the FY 2017-18 LAFD Budget. The \$40,000 City cost share for the training will be absorbed by the Fire Department Special Training Fund.

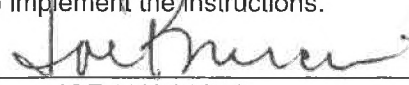
	Federal Share (75%)	City Share (25%)	Total
Fast Response Boat	\$236,250	\$78,750	\$315,000
AMFF Training	\$120,000	\$40,000	\$160,000

The LAFD requires expedited City Council and Mayoral approval of the modified PSGP expenditures so development of the fast response boat specifications may begin, and, subsequently, to place the order with the manufacturer. These steps must be completed and the boat must be delivered to the City prior to the grant performance deadline of August 31, 2018.

I THEREFORE MOVE that City Council, subject to approval of the Mayor:

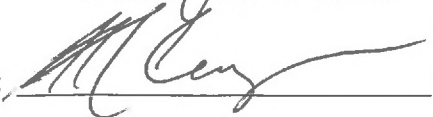
1. Authorize the Fire Department to modify the budget for the FY2015 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP), C.F. 15-1525, in accordance with the FY2015 PSGP award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the performance period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018, and any extension granted by FEMA.
2. Authorize the Fire Chief to expend from the following General Fund accounts for subsequent reimbursement by grant funds, as follows:
  - a. \$315,000 from Fire Department Fund 100/38, Account 003090, Field Equipment Expense
  - b. \$160,000 from Fire Department Fund 100/38, Account 001098, Variable Staffing Overtime
3. Authorize the Controller to transfer reimbursement grant funds from Fund 335/38, Account 38907M, upon submission of proper documentation by the Fire Department of costs incurred during the FEMA grant performance period, to the following:
  - a. \$236,250 to Fire Department Fund 100/38, Account 003090, Field Equipment Expense
  - b. \$120,000 to Fire Department Fund 100/38, Account 001098, Variable Staffing Overtime
4. Authorize the Controller to transfer \$40,000 from Special Training Fund 40J, Account 3840JB, to Fire Department Fund 100/38, Account 001098, Variable Staffing overtime, upon submission of proper documentation by the Fire Department of costs incurred during the FEMA grant performance period.
5. Authorize the Fire Department to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

PRESENTED BY:



JOE BUSCAINO  
Councilmember 15<sup>th</sup> District

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