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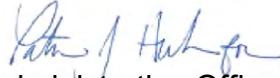
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To: The Mayor and Council

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer



Reference: Transmittal from the Mayor's Office dated February 21, 2024

Subject: **FISCAL YEAR 2022 URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT AWARD – CONTRACTING AUTHORITIES AND BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

1. Authorize the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Modify the existing grant budget (C.F. 22-0988) for the Fiscal Year 2022 Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant by reallocating funds between projects and conducting necessary fiscal transfers, as provided in the Mayor's transmittal dated February 21, 2024;
 - b. Negotiated and execute a contract with a vendor to provide bomb technicians with In Extremis training in an amount not to exceed \$69,500 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - c. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to enhance the security at City Hall in an amount not to exceed \$136,188 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - d. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide real-time cybersecurity intelligence sharing services for an amount not to exceed \$125,000 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - e. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide regional cybersecurity support services in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and for a term of up to 12 months within grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and,

- f. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide emergency operations plan, annexes and appendices review, revision, streamlining and maintenance for an amount not to exceed \$300,000 and for a term of up to 24 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and,
- g. 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.

SUMMARY

On May 2, 2023, the City Council approved the acceptance of the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant award and to take actions related to award implementation. The grant performance period is from September 1, 2022 to May 31, 2025. The grant award provides a total allocation of \$54,753,330 divided among the City of Los Angeles (City) and the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area (LA/LB UA) Partner Jurisdictions. While the grant funds are provided to the entire LA/LB UA, the City serves as the administrative and fiscal agent for the grant and receives a total allocation to distribute the grant funds in accordance with the approved grant budget. No matching funds are required for this grant.

The Mayor's Office transmittal dated February 21, 2024 includes recommendations to authorize the reallocation of funds between projects and conducting necessary fiscal transfers, and to negotiate and execute various contracts for the provision of training and programmatic services. The recommendations within this report will also provide for the continuance of the grant-funded projects through the completion of the grant performance period.

The various contracting authority requests and budget modifications are provided below.

Los Angeles Police Department

- Bomb Tech Operations Course – Special Events In Extremis Counter-Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Course - \$61,250

The LAPD received \$61,250 in the FY 22 UASI grant award for Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training. Subsequently, the Department determined to reprogram this amount, in addition to \$8,250 in reallocated training funding, to provide bomb technician training. This training, procured through contract, will cover knowledge and skills necessary to assess and respond to threats during special events, and to conduct practical labs and drills to improve decision-making during in extremis scenarios. Authority is requested to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide this training in an amount not to exceed \$69,500 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

➤ City Hall Security Cameras - \$136,188

In the FY 21 UASI, the LAPD received \$111,753 in grant funding to upgrade and enhance the security camera system at Los Angeles City Hall. The FY 22 UASI will provide supplemental funding for additional upgrades to the garage access points and hallways traversed by elected officials, City staff, and the visiting public. Security upgrades will also include the Mayor's Office suite and areas adjacent. Authority is requested to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide additional upgrades to the security camera system at the Los Angeles City Hall in an amount not to exceed \$136,188 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Mayor's Office

➤ Cyber Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform (TISP) - \$125,000

In 2019, the City, through a grant provided by the Department of Homeland Security, designed, developed and implemented a Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform (TISP), which is a cloud-based cyber intelligence sharing service. This project was accomplished through a technology services contract with IBM and SPLUNK. The FY 21 UASI grant award provided \$134,062 in funding for this project. The FY 22 UASI grant allocated \$200,000 for cybersecurity projects in general. The Mayor's Office subsequently determined the need to program \$125,000 of the FY 22 UASI funds for the continued dissemination of intelligence, including real-time automated cyber threat indicator sharing between various State, Local, Tribal and Territorial partner agencies. This programmatic funding would continue the services of IBM to provide real-time intelligence sharing services. This modification to the FY 22 UASI grant is pending grantor approval. Authority is requested to negotiate and execute a contract with IBM in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

➤ Regional Cybersecurity Services Coordinator - \$75,000

The FY 22 UASI grant award provided the Mayor's Office with \$75,000 in funding to hire under contract a Joint Cyber Analyst to serve as a technical expert to the LA Cyber Lab and the Joint Regional Intelligence Center, in providing essential regional cyber services. The procurement of this contractual service has been delayed due to administrative staffing limitations. Accordingly, the Mayor's Office has requested authority to modify the project and reduce the funding allocation from \$200,000 to \$75,000. The modification is pending grantor approval. Authority is requested to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Emergency Management Department

➤ Emergency Operations Plan Annex and Appendices Revision - \$300,000

The Emergency Management Department received \$300,000 in funding within the FY 22 UASI grant award for Supply Chain Management Coordinator Services to develop an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Gap Analysis for Climate Change Impacts and Plan Updates. Due to the

expanded scope of this project, which has over 40 annexes and appendices, additional funding will need to be reappropriated to fund these services. Authority is requested to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 and for a term of up to 24 months within the grant performance period.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations within this report will have no additional impact to the General Fund and will allow for the continued expenditure of FY 22 UASI grant award funds, and will provide authorization for contractual services agreements necessary to support the designated projects. No matching funds are required for this grant.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that all grant-eligible costs are fully covered by grant funds.

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