



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

February 21, 2024

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

Re: FY 2022 Urban Areas Security Initiative Contracting Authorities and Budget Modifications (Council File No. 22-0988)

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 2022 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY22 UASI) grant award. On May 2, 2023, the City Council accepted the FY22 UASI grant in the amount of \$56,236,000 with a grant performance period from September 1, 2022 to May 31, 2025 (Council File No. 22-0988). The recommendations outlined in this report are necessary in order to continue previously approved grant-funded projects through the end of the grant performance period.

Los Angeles Police Department

Bomb Tech Operations Course – Special Events In-Extremis Counter-Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Course

In FY22 UASI, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) received an allocation of \$61,250 for costs related to Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training. LAPD has decided to reprogram \$61,250 from the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training, as well as reallocate an additional \$8,250 from their existing training funding, to procure bomb technician training. This course would provide LAPD bomb technicians with the knowledge and skills to assess and respond to threats during special events. Participants would also engage in practical labs and drills to improve their decision making during in extremis scenarios.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide training in an amount not to exceed \$69,500 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

City Hall Security Cameras

In FY21 UASI, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) received an allocation of \$111,753 to fund upgrades to the security camera system at Los Angeles City Hall. This project will repair and enhance the security camera system within the Mayor's Office Suite which covers the path used by the Mayor, elected officials, City Hall staffers and visitors through the garage and hallways. LAPD would like to fund additional upgrades using UASI 22 grant funds to improve the security in City Hall as well as the historic Mayor's Office suite, so that it is safe from a terrorist attack and other potential harm, in an amount not to exceed \$136,188.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to further upgrade the security camera system at Los Angeles City Hall in an amount not to exceed \$136,188 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Mayor's Office

Cyber Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform (TISP)

In 2019, the City conducted a formal procurement for a contractor to design, develop and implement the Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform (TISP), a cloud-based cyber intelligence sharing service. The contractor was funded DHS's FY 2018 Internet Security – Information Sharing and Analysis Organizations (IS-ISA) Grant. An independent scoring committee awarded a contract to IBM and its subcontractor TrueStar (now SPLUNK) to perform services. Both IBM and SPLUNK use proprietary software that have been built per the City and the Information Technology Agency's (ITA) requirements and specifications. The City wishes for IBM to continue to provide real-time intelligence sharing services.

In UASI FY21, the Mayor's Office received \$134,062 in funding to support TISP. In UASI FY22, Mayor's Office received an allocation of \$200,000 for costs related to cybersecurity projects. The Mayor's Office decided to program \$125,000 to TISP, in order to continue the quick dissemination of intelligence, including real-time automated cyber threat indicator sharing between State, Local, Tribal and Territorial (SLTT) cybersecurity communities. This modification is pending grantor approval.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with IBM in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Regional Cybersecurity Services Coordinator

In UASI FY22, the Mayor's Office received \$75,000 to fund a Joint Cyber Analyst to support activities related to the LA Cyber Lab. The Joint Cyber Analyst will be a technical expert who will rotate between the LA Cyber Lab and the Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC), and will provide essential cyber services to the region. Due to staffing limitations, the procurement of this contract has been delayed. As such, the Mayor's Office requests authority to modify the budget for this project and reduce it from \$200,000 to \$75,000. This modification is pending grantor approval.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Emergency Management Department

Emergency Operations Plan Annex and Appendices Revision

In UASI FY22, EMD received \$300,000 to hire a Supply Chain Management Coordinator and develop an EOP Gap Analysis for Climate Change Impacts and Plan Updates. The City's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and Annexes/Appendices are reviewed, updated and maintained by the Emergency Management Department (EMD). Due to the large scope of the EOP where the overall plan contains over 40 annexes and appendices requiring constant review, revision, and maintenance, additional funding is being redirected to increase the project budget.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for a term of up to 24 months within the grant performance period.

Recommendations

It is therefore requested that the City Council:

1. **Authorize** the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Modify the existing grant budget (Council File 22-0988) for the FY22 UASI grant by reallocating funds between projects and conducting necessary fiscal transfers as described in this report; and
 - b. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide bomb technician in extremis training in an amount not to exceed \$69,500.00 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and
 - c. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to enhance the security at City Hall in an amount not to exceed \$136,188.00 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and
 - d. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide real-time cybersecurity intelligence sharing services for an amount not to exceed

\$125,000.00 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and

- e. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide regional cybersecurity support services in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 and a term up to 12 months within the 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 \$300,000.00 and a term up to 24 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and
2. **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,



KAREN BASS

Mayor

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