



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: DECEMBER 18, 2018

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2018 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT AWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,481,000

ISSUE:

Adopt a resolution accepting \$2,481,000 in grant funding from the 2018 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant application from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the submission of an application and acceptance of a grant award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the Fiscal Year 2018 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant program; and
2. Upon grant award, authorize the City Manager or designee to accept the grant award and execute related documents; and
3. Upon grant award, approve an increase in revenues in an amount equal to the grant award for accounts 9164010-331100 (County/City of Riverside), 9164020-331100 (City of Ontario), and 9164030-331100 (County/City of San Bernardino) and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to expenditure objects in project accounts 9164010 and (City of Riverside), 9164010 (County/City of Riverside), 9164020 (City of Ontario), and 9164030 (County/City of San Bernardino).

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) offers the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program to enhance regional preparedness high-threat, high-density areas and provides funding opportunities every fiscal year (FY) to address the unique multi-discipline planning, operations, equipment, and training needs to these areas as it relates to terrorism prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery.

In 2008, the DHS identified the Riverside Region as a UASI qualified area which allowed for the eligibility of applying for grant funding. Due to the large scale regional threats, the cities of Ontario

and San Bernardino, and the counties of Riverside and San Bernardino were identified as sub-recipients of the grant funding, with the City of Riverside appointed as agency lead. Since 2008, Riverside has led various UASI projects in the region to support the protection of communities from acts of terrorism and has successfully received over \$20 million in grant funding that has been shared among agencies.

DISCUSSION:

For the FY 2018 grant cycle, the DHS has provided an award letter to the Riverside UASI in the amount of \$2,481,000. If accepted, the Riverside UASI Steering Group, which is comprised of officials from each of the core agencies, will review project applications and approve those that are deemed a high priority. The Riverside UASI is expected to receive approximately \$938,320 of those funds for regional training activities, staff salaries, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program materials, and Office of Emergency Management critical infrastructure site assessments.

Grant sub-recipients Riverside Fire Department, Riverside Police Department, Riverside County Sheriff's Department, Riverside County Emergency Management Department, Ontario Fire Department, San Bernardino Police Department, and CONFIRE Joint Powers Authority in San Bernardino County are expected to share the \$1,542,680 remainder of funds to purchase equipment and materials for Homeland Security enhancement projects throughout the Riverside UASI region.

As part of DHS UASI grant award, each agency lead is required to submit an approved Resolution each fiscal year accepting the grant award. Staff is recommending the approval of the Resolution and award amount from the DHS UASI program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund associated with this report. The DHS UASI grant is 100% reimbursable for all approved projects each grant sub-recipient procures. RFD will file quarterly reimbursement claims (revenues) for these projects. Revenues will be credited to accounts 9164010-331100 (County/City of Riverside), 9164020-331100 (City of Ontario), and 9164030-331100 (County/City of San Bernardino) and sufficient funds will be appropriated in expenditure objects for project accounts 9164010 (City of Riverside), 9164010 (County/City of Riverside), 9164020 (City of Ontario), and 9164030 (County/City of San Bernardino) for project expenditures.

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Approved by: Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form: Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Signature Authority
3. Assurances