

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: DECEMBER 1, 2015

FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT WARD: ALL

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF FY 2015 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM -

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION – IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000

ISSUE:

Acceptance of funds in the amount of \$100,000, from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), for the State Homeland Security Program, administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/California Office of Emergency Services.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- 1. Authorize the acceptance of funds in the amount of \$100,000 from CalOES;
- 2. Authorize an increase in revenues and appropriate the grant funds into a project expenditure account to be assigned by Finance in the amount of \$100,000; and
- Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all necessary contract documents and grant assurances between the City of Riverside and the County of Riverside Office of Emergency Services regarding use of the 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program Funding.

BACKGROUND:

On October 21, 2015, the Riverside Police Department (RPD) was awarded funding from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services 2015 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), sub-granted to the County of Riverside Office of Emergency Services to enhance the areas of interoperable communications.

Should Council approve grant acceptance in the amount of \$100,000, the funds will be used to enhance regional information sharing between public safety agencies. This will be accomplished by providing interagency communication capabilities to the RPD's helicopter. The funding will allow RPD to purchase radio equipment that is P25 Phase II (Time Division Multiple Access TDMA) compliant. The RPD Air Support Unit will have the ability to communicate with all law enforcement agencies in Orange, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties, as well as fire agencies and selected Federal agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of these funds will have no impact to the General Fund. The grant program does not require matching funds.

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