



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MARCH 7, 2017

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: 2016 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS FOR COUNTY-WIDE HAZMAT OPERATIONS GROUP ACTIVITIES – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,000

ISSUE:

Accept 2016 Homeland Security Grant Program funds in the amount of \$67,000 for City participation in hazardous materials incident exercises and trainings sponsored by the County-Wide Hazmat Operations Group.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Accept the 2016 Department of Homeland Security grant funds, administered through the County of Riverside Emergency Management Department, in the amount of \$67,000;
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the County-Wide Hazmat Operations Group Agreement for training and reimbursement and all documents related to the grant agreement; and
3. Authorize an increase in estimated revenues in the amount of \$67,000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to an account number as assigned by the Finance Department.

BACKGROUND:

The State of California has allocated 2016 Homeland Security Grant Program funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to the Riverside County Operational Area (OA) to enhance the State's ability to prepare for, prevent, and respond to terrorist attacks and other major disasters. The Riverside County Board of Supervisors appointed an Anti-Terrorism Approval Authority (ATTA) to manage the distribution of Homeland Security Grant Program funding, and authorized the Riverside County Emergency Management Department to serve as the lead agency on behalf of the OA.

DISCUSSION:

The Fire Department is a sub-recipient through the Riverside County Emergency Management Department of 2016 Homeland Security Grant funds in the amount of \$67,000. The funding is intended to reimburse the City for participation in drills and training sponsored by the County-Wide HazMat Operations Group (CHOG) and other hazardous material related drills, training and equipment as allowed by Homeland Security Grant Program guidelines. The grant period of performance covers November 18, 2016 through February 28, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total grant award is \$67,000 and will be used to reimburse the Fire Department for overtime backfill and equipment expenses incurred as a result of participation in CHOG sponsored training and exercises. No matching funds are required.

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Attachment: Group Agreement