

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: APRIL 9, 2019

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2018 STATE HOMELAND

SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT AWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,609

ISSUE:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant award in the amount of \$79,609 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the Fiscal Year 2018 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant program.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- Adopt a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant award in the amount of \$79,609
 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the Fiscal Year 2018 State Homeland
 Security Program (SHSP) Grant program; and
- 2. Authorize, upon grant award, the City Manager, or designee, to accept the grant award, execute related documents, and approve subsequent non-substantial changes; and
- 3. Approve, upon grant award, an increase in revenues in an amount equal to the grant award of \$79,609 to account 9166400861-33410000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to expenditure objects in project account 9166400861.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) offers the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant to prepare the Nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 SHSP is set against the backdrop of recent years in which the United States faced numerous and unprecedented natural disasters including hurricanes that devastated parts of Texas, Florida, and much of Puerto Rico, and massive wildfires across California.

In addition to these natural disasters, the United States also responded to multiple incidents as part of the evolving threat landscape, including the first known terrorist attack against mass transportation on U.S. soil and mass casualty events involving both vehicles and active shooters.

The purpose of SHSP is to provide Federal funds to states to support state, local, territorial, and tribal government terrorism preparedness.

DISCUSSION:

For the FY2018 grant cycle, the Fire Department was provided an award letter in the amount of \$79,609. If accepted, these funds will be paired with other previously-approved grants awards to fund the department's Community Preparedness position. The remaining balance will be used for the purchase of a transportable remote observation camera system for incident management and law enforcement.

As part of the DHS SHSP grant award, each agency 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 SHSP program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The DHS SHSP grant is 100% reimbursable for approved projects and will be used to continue partial funding of the Fire Department's Community Preparedness position and the purchase of a transportable remote observation camera system for incident management and law enforcement. If funding is not approved, other funding will need to be identified to ensure full available funding of the department's Community Preparedness position.

Upon grant award, an increase in revenues in an amount equal to the grant award of \$79,609 will be made to account 9166400861-33410000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to expenditure objects in project account 9166400861.

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Certified as to

availability of funds: Edward Enriquez, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer

Approved by: Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager

Approved as to form: Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachments:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Signature Authority
- 3. Grant Assurances