



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: JULY 20, 2021**

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT **WARDS: ALL**

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD FROM UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,238

ISSUE:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing acceptance of grant award from the United States Department of Homeland Security, through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for the Fiscal Year 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program in the amount of \$63,238.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing acceptance of grant award from the United States Department of Homeland Security, through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for the Fiscal Year 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program in the amount of \$63,238;
2. With at least five affirmative votes, authorize increase in revenue and appropriate expenditures in an equal amount of \$63,238 in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund Emergency Management Performance FY 2020 Revenue Account and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to General Fund Fire – Special Services Emergency Management Performance FY 2020 Expenditure Account; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to accept the grant award and execute grant assurances and other grant related documents including the ability to make minor non substantive changes.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) offers the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) to strengthen national preparedness and resilience. The FY 2020 EMPG 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, as well as massive wildfires across California. The purpose of EMPG is to provide Federal funds to states to assist state, local, territorial, and tribal governments in preparing for all hazards.

DISCUSSION:

According to the Envision Riverside 2025 Strategic Plan, the City remains fiscally responsible for public funds and ensures accountable financial resources. In alignment with strategic priorities, the Riverside Fire Department would like to accept funding for the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) fiscal year 2020 grant cycle, in the amount of \$63,238. If accepted, these funds will be used to partially fund the department's Community Preparedness Coordinator position, for the purchase of equipment to update and enhance the capabilities of the Emergency Operations Center, and for local community preparedness activities.

As part of DHS EMPG 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 EMPG program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of this recommendation is \$63,238. In addition, the grant award requires a 100% local match of \$63,238, which the Fire Department will provide through an in-kind match using existing emergency management staff salaries which is available in General Fund, Fire Special Services account number 3515000-411100.

Upon approval, with at least five affirmative votes from the City Council, record an increase in revenues in an amount equal to the grant award to the Grant and Restricted Programs Fund Emergency Management Performance 19 Revenue account 9173100861-33110000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount will be made to the General Fund Fire – Special Services Emergency Management Performance 19 Expenditure Account 9173100861-41150000.

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Approved by: Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form: Kristi J. Smith, Interim City Attorney

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Grant Award Letter
3. Signature Authority
4. Grant Assurances