

**City Council Memorandum** 

City of Arts & Innovation

# TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2021

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT

WARDS: ALL

# SUBJECT: SECURING THE CITIES PROGRAM GRANT AWARD FOR THE LOS ANGELES/LONG BEACH URBAN AREA REGION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,500 – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

# ISSUE:

Accept funding from the Securing the Cities Program Grant for the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area Region in the amount of \$37,500 to assist the City in developing a regional structure of law enforcement and first responder organizations to identify, prevent and respond to potential nuclear and radiological threats.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

- 1. Authorize acceptance of the Securing the Cities Program Grant in the amount of \$37,500;
- 2. With at least five affirmative votes, upon receipt of the grant award, authorize an increase in revenue and appropriation expenditures in an amount equal to the grant award, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Securing The Cities Program Sustainment Funding Grant; and
- 3. Authorize, upon grant award, the City Manager, or designee, to execute all grant documents necessary to receive the grant funds including acceptance of the grant award and subsequent supplemental grant funding, as well as, making minor non-substantive changes.

# BACKGROUND:

The Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Region for Securing the Cities (STC) Program is designed to enhance the nation's ability to detect and prevent a radiological or nuclear attack in cities facing the highest risk. The STC Program is a cooperative grant program with annual funding allocations from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO). Since the grant's beginning, the City of Los Angeles has received over \$24 million in direct funding, procured cutting-edge equipment, and has trained hundreds of first responders in preventative radiological and nuclear detection with a goal of equipping and training at least 4,000 sworn personnel.

In early 2018, the City of Los Angeles contacted Riverside Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) agencies to identify interested parties. In July 2019, the Riverside Fire and Police Departments were notified that they had been selected to participate as sub-recipients.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

In October 2020, the Riverside Fire and Police Departments were notified that Securing the Cities (STC) Program recently received Fiscal Year 2020 STC Sustainment Funding and that each the Fire and Police Departments will each receive \$18,750 totaling \$37,500, for training classes and drills/exercises.

The grant term runs from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2030.

# STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to Strategic Priority No. 2 *Community Well-Being* and Goal No. 2.6 – Strengthen community preparedness for emergencies to ensure effective response and recovery.

This item aligns with Each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

- 1. **Community Trust** The Securing the Cities Grant Program funds fire and police staff training that increases community trust in our emergency response capabilities.
- 2. **Equity** Funding provided by the Securing the Cities Grant Program will assist the Fire and Police Departments to deliver classes, which will enable them to respond to our diverse community.
- 3. **Fiscal Responsibility** The use of the Securing the Cities Grant funding increases the City's capability and capacity to put on classes and assist in the costs associated with staff training.
- 4. **Innovation** The Securing the Cities Grant Program trains staff to utilize cutting edge equipment to keep our communities safe.
- 5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** This program increases our community resilience through education on actions to detect and prevent a radiological incident.

# FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of this action is \$37,500. Upon Council approval, record an increase in revenues and appropriation expenditures, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, in the programs and accounts identified in the table below.

Revenue Account No.	Expenditure Account No.	Account Name	Appropriation
9171600-331100	9171600-411501	Fire Grants and	\$18,750
		Restricted Programs	
		Fund (STC)	
9171500-331100	9171500-411501	Police Grants and	\$18,750
		Restricted Programs	
		Fund (STC)	

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Approved by:	Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form:	Phaedra A. Norton, City Attorney

Attachments:

1. Subrecipient Agreement