

URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT ACCEPTANCE

Fire Department – Office of Emergency Management

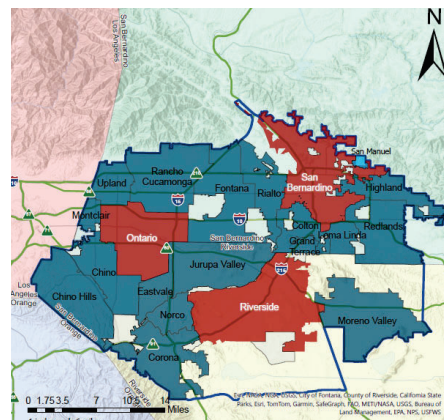
City Council
February 27, 2024

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BACKGROUND

1. The Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program enhances preparedness in high-threat, high-density urban areas. In 2008, DHS designated the Riverside Region as a UASI with the City of Riverside appointed as the Single Point of Contact (SPC)/agency lead.



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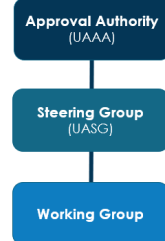
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BACKGROUND

1. Distributed over \$40 million in grant funding to address unique multi-discipline needs to these areas as it relates to terrorism prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery.
2. Governed by the Riverside Urban Area Steering Group (UASG), and an Authorized Body of 5 also known as the Urban Area Approval Authority, which has the final decision-making for the Riverside UASI's local funding allocations and policy direction.

UASI Governance



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DISCUSSION

1. February 27, 2023 Notice of Funding Listed Riverside UASI receiving \$3,900,000 prior to state retention.
2. Through a local process the Urban Area Working Group submitted applications to Steering Group to purchase equipment, conduct planning, training, critical infrastructure assessments, staff salaries, and community preparedness materials for Homeland Security enhancement projects throughout the Riverside UASI region.
3. The Urban Area Approval Authority approved a spending plan for approximately \$3,178,500 in funded projects for the FY 23 Grant Cycle.



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DISCUSSION

4. The Riverside UASI program is establishing the Safety and Tribal Regional Analysis Center (STRAC) to provide local collaboration and coordination through collection, analysis and dissemination of actionable all-hazards information between public safety, tribal nations and private sector partners.



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STRAC



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DISCUSSION

1. We are seeking authorization for up to six (6) FTE Intelligence Analysts Positions to be funded by FY 23 UASI Grant funding.
2. Supervising Intelligence Analyst: 1.0 FTE - Total Cost Estimate - \$117,186
3. Intelligence Analyst: 5.0 FTE - Total Cost Estimate - \$466,805 (\$93,361 x 5.0 FTE)



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STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Aligns with Strategic Priority No. 2 Community Well-Being

Goal No. 2.6 Strengthen community preparedness for emergencies to ensure effective response and recovery.

Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency



Equity



Innovation



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution authorizing a grant application for the Department of Homeland Security's 2023 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant in the amount of \$3,178,500;
2. Authorize the acceptance of the UASI funding from the Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$3,178,500; and



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

3. Upon grant award, authorize an increase of six (6) Full Time Equivalent (FTEs), increase in estimated revenues in the amount of \$3,178,500, or the actual amount awarded, to the Fire Department Revenue account and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to the Fire Department UASI accounts, by five affirmative votes; and
4. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents, including but not limited to applications, payment requests, agreements, and amendments necessary to secure funds and implement the approved grant projects, and making minor and non-substantive changes.



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