



Agenda Report

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Agenda Date: 11/17/2020

REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Action on Adoption of a Resolution Approving the 2019 Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative Program Grant, and Related Budget Amendment.

COUNCIL PILLAR

Deliver and Enhance High Quality Efficient Services and Infrastructure

BACKGROUND

Santa Clara Fire Department (SCFD) has been awarded a combined grant of \$272,393, split between the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) equipment grant and the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) to purchase backpack portable radiation detection equipment. Council approved the SHSGP grant portion of this award on May 26, 2020; while the approval and ratification of the Bay Area UASI (BAUASI) grant portion is recommended in this memorandum with an extension to the grant timeline to June 30, 2021. SCFD is a participating public safety agency in both the 11-county San Francisco BAUASI region, as well as a mutual aid partner in the California statewide response plan. This equipment will be used both at special events and during everyday missions to screen for the presence of radiological/nuclear materials that could cause harm.

DISCUSSION

Due to the number of high-profile potential targets in the City of Santa Clara (City), the SCFD has spent several years developing its ability to both prevent and respond to the threat of weapons of mass destruction (WMD). The SCFD HazMat Team has become the regional leader in Preventative Radiological and Nuclear Detection (PRND) and this grant award is recognition of the department's commitment to that mission. This equipment will support City's hazardous materials team, as well as response teams at the Levi Stadium and all City special events. Not only will this equipment be available to support SCFD's internal missions, but it will be a regional response asset for the South Bay.

Due to the timelines involved with the grant, the Fire Department executed the grant documents (Attachment 1) under the authority granted by Council to the City Manager on May 24, 2005, relating to execution of grants from Homeland Security funds. The grant documents, however, require action of the Council to approve (and in this case, ratify) the grant, as reflected in the attached Resolution (Attachment 3).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The adoption of an ordinance of general policy or procedure/purchase of supplies does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is a governmental organizational policy making or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

Staff is proposing a budget amendment to recognize the BAUASI Grant revenue in the Fire Department Operating Grant Trust Fund in the amount of \$185,000 and appropriate the funding to the 2019 Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative program to purchase backpack portable radiation detection equipment. BAUASI is a reimbursement grant, and upon expending the appropriated funds, SCFD will request reimbursement from the awarding agency.

Budget Amendment**FY 2020/21**

	Current	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised
Fire Department Operating Grant Trust Fund			
<u>Revenue</u>			
Grant Funding	\$0	\$185,000	\$185,000
<u>Expenditure</u>			
2019 Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative program	\$0	\$185,000	\$185,000

COORDINATION

This report has been coordinated with the Finance Department and City Attorney's Office.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>>.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Adopt a Resolution Approving the 2019 Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative program grant in the amount of \$185,000 (as extended to 2021) for the purchase of backpack portable radiation detection equipment; and
2. Approve the related budget amendment in the Fire Operating Grant Trust Fund to recognize grant revenue in the amount of \$185,000 and establish a 2019 Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative program appropriation in the amount of \$185,000.

Reviewed by: Ruben Torres, Fire Chief

Approved by: Deanna J. Santana, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2019 UASI MOU City of Santa Clara
2. 2019 BAUASI Grant Extension
3. Resolution