

# Agenda Report

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL **Date:** August 18, 2003  
**THROUGH:** FINANCE COMMITTEE  
**FROM:** CITY MANAGER  
**SUBJECT:** RECOGNITION AND APPROPRIATION OF \$150,849 IN ANTI-TERRORISM GRANT FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TERRORISM RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council recognize \$150,849 in anti-terrorism grant funds and appropriate these funds to the Fire Department FY 2004 Operating Budget account 230-361000 for the purchase of terrorism response equipment.

## BACKGROUND

The Fire Department recently submitted an application on behalf of the City for anti-terrorism grant funds being offered by the State Department of Emergency Services. The Fire Department has received notice from the State that the City was awarded \$150,849 in grant funding for the purchase of terrorism response equipment.

The objective of the anti-terrorism grant program is to assure that first responders are properly equipped and prepared to respond to acts of terrorism. The funds provided under the subject grant will provide for the purchase of equipment for the Fire, Police and Health Departments. Although multiple departments are benefiting from these funds, the grant requires a single point of contact for each jurisdiction. In Pasadena, the Fire Department is coordinating the effort.

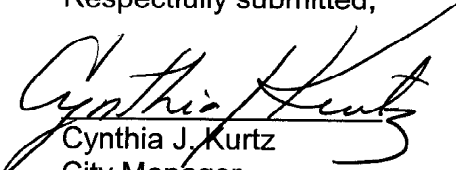
To date, the anti-terrorism approved equipment for the City of Pasadena fits into the general categories of: emergency decontamination and testing equipment, toxic treatment kits, hazardous chemical clothing and boots, and specialized breathing apparatus. Pasadena's approved equipment is in Section One (Response and Mitigation Equipment) and Two (Personal Protective Equipment) of the "Homeland Security Grant Equipment List", approved by the City Council on July 1, 2002. The items selected are in both sections for a combination of reasons, 1) they are on the qualifying list specified by the grant; 2) they fit within the available funding; and 3) they

meet the region's agreed upon strategic priorities for purposes of mutual aid and widespread benefit. It is consistent with the purpose as stated in Council's July 1, 2002, approval: "... principal priority was established by the need to protect responding personnel and enable them to protect others and accomplish their missions upon responding."

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The recommended action will increase appropriations in the Fire Department's FY 2004 Operating Budget by \$150,849. The grant program is a 100% reimbursement program, therefore, it is necessary for the City to purchase equipment and submit invoices for reimbursement.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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