

Agenda Report

December 6, 2010

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Finance Committee

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT: RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$163,000 TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2011 OPERATING BUDGET GRANT FUND

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a journal voucher recognizing \$163,000 from the 2007 Sub-Grantee Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) and appropriate these funds to the FY2011 Fire Department's Operating Budget, grant fund.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Homeland Security has recently made available grant funds from the 2007 Homeland Security Grant. These funds represent awards to other jurisdictions that were subsequently unable to fulfill the grant requirements. Consequently they are being reallocated to agencies that had submitted grant proposals and received less than the full amount requested.

On November 1, 2010, the Pasadena Police Department Air Operations Section was contacted by the Homeland Security Grant Program Task Force with notification that reallocated grant funds were available to purchase specialized equipment for a police helicopter.

Previously, Air Operations Section personnel identified a need for computer based aviation mapping system that could be used to enhance response to a major incident or catastrophe. With the reallocation of grant funding, this purchase is now possible. The cost for purchase and installation of the system is \$163,000.

Pursuant to the grant requirements the City will be required to spend funds and submit for reimbursement no later than January 31, 2011.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The recommended action furthers the City Council's strategic plan goal to ensure public safety by providing the City appropriate equipment and technology.


FISCAL IMPACT:

The recommended action will increase appropriations in the Fire Department's FY 2011 Operating Budget Grant Fund by \$163,000. The Fire Department is the City's designated single point of contact for Homeland Security Grant processing. These grants are 100 percent reimbursement programs as long as pre-purchase requirements are followed by grant recipients.

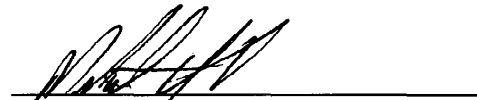
Respectfully submitted,


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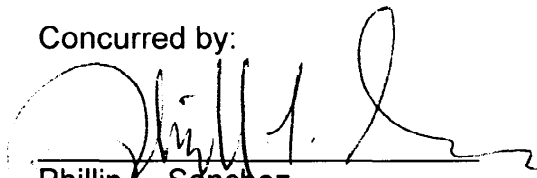
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