

Agenda Report

September 13, 2010

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Finance Committee

FROM:

City Manager

SUBJECT:

RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT

OF \$195,000 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 \$195,000 from the 2007 Sub-Grantee Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) and appropriate these fund to the FY11 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.

The Pasadena Police Department submitted a grant proposal totaling \$265,000 and was awarded \$195,000 which was used for the purchase of specialized equipment, installation, and training. The Department requested funding for the purchase of equipment for use on City helicopters including equipment to transmit live video feed to command posts and emergency operations centers, as well as to allow packaged equipment caches to be airlifted to areas of need during a major emergency. While funding for this equipment was not included with the City's original grant award, through the reallocation process sufficient funds will be available to purchase these items and provide related training.

Pursuant to the grant requirements the City will be required to spend funds and submit for reimbursement before December 1, 2010.

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COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION

The recommended action furthers the City Council 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 \$195,000. The Fire Department is the City's designated single point of contact for Homeland Security Grant processing (SHSGP) grants are 100 percent reimbursement programs as long as pre-purchase requirements are followed by grant recipients.

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