

# Agenda Report

January 9, 2012

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**THROUGH:** Finance Committee

**FROM:** Fire Department

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR SOFTWARE TO ENHANCE THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABILITY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (RICS) USING SHSGP GRANT FUNDS.**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council recognize and appropriate \$500,000 from the 2008 State Homeland Security Grant program (SHSGP) to the Fire Grants Fund 230, Project 91140, for a future purchase of radio software and hardware for the Los Angeles RICS.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On October 12, 2009, City Council recognized and appropriated \$782,950 to the Fire Grants Fund from the 2008 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) for equipment purchases. All funds have been expended for the original equipment purchase. As the 2008 SHSGP is near its sunset and expenditure deadline, the County of Los Angeles has identified additional funds available for expenditure and reprogramming. Jurisdictions were requested to respond with project requests. The City of Pasadena was subsequently approved for the purchase of software and hardware for LA RICS. Recognizing and appropriating these funds will allow Department of Information Technology (DoIT) staff to purchase the required hardware and software.

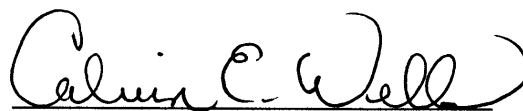
## **COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

This action supports the City Council's strategic goal to ensure public safety by enhancing the emergency radio communications throughout Area C.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

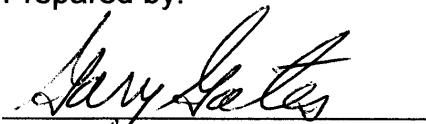
The City will be fully reimbursed for this project cost from Los Angeles County and the 2008 SHSGP grant; therefore, there is no fiscal impact as a result of this action nor will there be any indirect or support cost requirements. Depreciation costs are not applicable for software purchases and annual maintenance costs will be negligible as these costs will be absorbed into DoITs normal annual radio maintenance costs and spread City-wide, where applicable, across departments in Internal Service charges, budget account 8613. The anticipated impact to other operational programs or capital projects as a result of this action will be minimal, with upgrades being implemented during regularly-scheduled preventive maintenance of existing equipment.

Respectfully submitted,



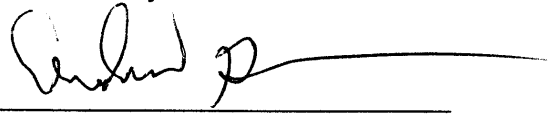
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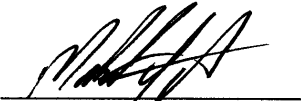
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