

Agenda Report

August 21, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF A DISASTER TRAILER FROM THE PASADENA FIRE DEPARTMENT TO THE ALHAMBRA FIRE DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the proposed action is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 21065 of CEQA and Sections 15060 (c)(2), 15060 (c)(3), and 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for the project; and
2. Authorize the transfer of an inactive disaster trailer to Alhambra Fire Department for rehabilitation and maintenance; and
3. Recognize that a public purpose is served by exempting the proposed transfer from the provisions of the Surplus Equipment and Goods Ordinance, P.M.C. 4.04, pursuant to section 4.04.080.

BACKGROUND:

It is recommended that the Pasadena Fire Department transfer an inactive disaster trailer to the Alhambra Fire Department for rehabilitation and maintenance. The vehicle is a 2003 Wells Cargo 28' trailer with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 13,200 pounds (Asset #05288, Vehicle #09458). It was acquired through the General Fund operating budget for Fire Operations Equipment over 14 years ago. The trailer is valued at approximately \$3,000 to \$5,000 and can no longer be utilized on mass casualty incidents. The Fire Department currently has another operable disaster trailer designated for mass casualty incidents.

The Alhambra Fire Department has volunteered to assume responsibility for the maintenance of the vehicle, with the purpose of reinstating it for future deployments by the Office of Emergency Services (OES) as an Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) vehicle for Regional Task Force 4 (RTF-4). The Pasadena Fire Department is a member of RTF-4 along with seven other surrounding fire departments. As such, the Fire Department will greatly benefit from the trailer restoration and its mobilization for US&R incidents within the region.

The intended purpose of the restored trailer is to retain supplies for the Task Force during deployment to disaster incidents, including personal protective equipment caches, food, water, and other critical necessities. The trailer will also provide shelter during inclement weather and serve as a location for personnel rehabilitation and rehydration. The trailer will allow for the Task Force to operate immediately upon arrival in the operational area, and will also help to reduce the impact of the Task Force upon the local infrastructure of a devastated community.

Currently, the inactive trailer is stored on outside premises at 2180 E. Foothill Blvd in Pasadena. If properly mobilized for future US&R incidents, the RTF-4 and the entire Pasadena community will greatly benefit from the rehabilitation of this logistics trailer. The Alhambra Fire Department has offered to assume all costs associated with repairs and restorations of the trailer, in order to resume its functionality.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed grant agreement is consistent with the City Council's Strategic Goal to ensure public safety.

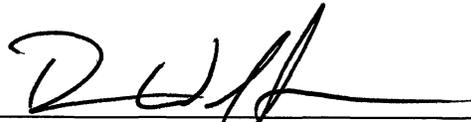
ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The action is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Section 15061 (b) (3), the General Rule that CEQA only applied to project that may have an effect on the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the City as the disaster trailer is fully depreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



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