

Agenda Report

August 25, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Finance Committee

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR 2024 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) GRANT FUNDS AND AMEND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S FY 2026 OPERATING BUDGETS TO RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE THE GRANT FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the proposed action in the agenda report is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) "Common Sense" exemption;
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the City of Los Angeles to accept and administer 2024 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant funds; and
3. Amend the Fire Department and Public Health Department Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget by recognizing revenue and appropriating \$200,185 awarded by UASI as detailed in the Fiscal Impact section of this report.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Pasadena is eligible to receive grant funding from UASI as part of a nation-wide program to improve and enhance emergency response capability for terrorist-related activity. The funds available to the City are the result of new grant allocations.

The Fire Department is the administrator of UASI grant funds. For 2024 UASI, grant funds in the amount of \$320,185 will be shared between the Fire, Police, and Public Health Departments. The Fire Department will receive \$117,000 for a range of urban search and rescue (US&R) equipment to support the Regional Task Force-4 Team and structural collapse props, and \$3,185 for Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) equipment. The Police Department will receive \$120,000 to be used for a mobile command/incident response vehicle. A mobile command vehicle is a specialized vehicle equipped to serve as a central hub for communication, coordination, and decision-making during emergencies or planned events and provide on-site command and control capabilities. The Public Health Department will receive \$55,600 to be used for consultants for Public Information Officer Training, and \$24,400 for a prepositioned antibiotic cache.

All purchases related to this grant will be made in accordance with the City's applicable procurement policies and procedures.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

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

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed action is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b) (3), the "common sense" provision of CEQA (formerly the general rule), which applies to projects which may have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The proposed action will not result in any new development or physical changes.

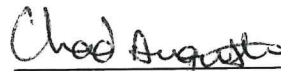
FISCAL IMPACT:

Of the UASI 2024 total grant award of \$320,185, the Police Department has already recognized \$120,000 as part of the Department's FY 2026 Operating Budget adoption.

Approval of the recommended action will amend the Fire Department and Public Health Department Operating budgets to recognize and appropriate the remaining UASI 2024 grant award of \$200,185 in the Homeland Security Grant Fund (Fund 230) as detailed in the table below. There are no anticipated indirect or support costs such as maintenance and IT support. There is no impact to the General Fund.

Department	Amount
FIRE	\$120,185
PUBLIC HEALTH	\$80,000
TOTAL	\$200,185

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