

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 362020HSGP REALLOCATION

SUBJECT

(ALL) Ratify Application for and Authorize Acceptance of, if Awarded, Homeland Security Reallocation Funds from the United States Department of Homeland Security through the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Up to the Amount of \$1,298,992.22, Approve Execution of All Applicable Grant Contracts, Adopt Attached Resolution and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Ratify application for and authorize acceptance of, if awarded, Homeland Security Reallocation Funds from the United States Department of Homeland Security through the State of Texas, Office of the Governor up to the amount of \$1,298,992.22;
 2. Approve execution of all applicable grant contracts;
 3. Adopt attached resolution for acceptance of grant funds in an amount up to \$1,298,992.22 and to make assurances as required by the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division; and
 4. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Federal Fund, subject to receipt of the grant, up to the amount of \$1,298,992.22 for the purpose of funding the State Homeland Security Program projects specific to the Urban Area Security Initiative.
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DISCUSSION:

The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) through the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, awards grants to jurisdictions across the state to enhance local capabilities to prevent, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism and natural disasters. The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) encourages jurisdictions to strengthen local and regional preparedness efforts and to seek benefits available through cooperative action.

Funding awarded as part of the 2020 Funding Reallocation of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant will be used by Fort Worth public safety and disaster support organizations to maintain and improve the community's capacity to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from terrorism incidents and other natural disasters. Fort Worth has been offered the opportunity to participate in the HSGP each year since 2005, receiving over \$56,000,000.00 in grant funds to supplement local and regional preparedness efforts. The Fire Department's Grant Management team coordinates with City departments in the development and implementation of grant funded projects in the areas of threat assessment, risk reduction, capability sustainment, plan development, public education and training. This award consists of unused funds from the 2020 UASI grants that have been reallocated for additional projects. The projects are as follows:

- Urban Area Security Initiative Grant 4688101 Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Vehicle (ARFF) \$976,835.00
- Urban Area Security Initiative Grant 4687901 Fusion Center Special Room Development \$85,000.00
- Urban Area Security Initiative Grant 4688001 Fusion Center Flock Safety Cameras (20) \$52,500.00
- Urban Area Security Initiative Grant 4688201 Soft Targets – Heart Monitors (5) \$150,000.00
- Urban Area Security Initiative Grant 4688301 Emerging Threats – Ballistic Vests and Helmets (13-18) \$34,657.22

The grants has no local match requirement.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: State of Texas - Office of the Governor

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Operating Federal Fund. The Fire Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Fire Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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