

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 01/23/24

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 24-0059

LOG NAME: 362021HSGP REALLOCATION SUPPLEMENTAL

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, in the Amount Up to \$157,400.00, 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 in the amount up to \$157,400.00;
 2. Approve execution of all applicable grant contracts;
 3. Adopt attached resolution for acceptance of grant funds in an amount up to \$157,400.00 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, in the amount up to \$157,400.00 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 2021 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 2021 UASI grants that have been reallocated as supplemental funding to the Urban Area Security Initiative Grant 3419805 Interdiction and Disruption award in the amount of \$157,400.00. The total award amount will increase from \$427,350.00 to \$584,750.00. The reallocated funds will be used to replace Fire's bomb squad K9 and transport vehicle and to replace ballistic vests.

The grants have no local match requirement.

Since no City salaries will be charged, indirect cost recovery does not apply.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Department of Homeland Security

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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