



Executive Director's

Report to the
Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: AUGUST 20, 2013

FROM: PORT POLICE

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CITY OF LOS
ANGELES HARBOR DEPARTMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF
URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR
2012**

SUMMARY:

The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) is proposing to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the City of Los Angeles (City) for the purpose of receiving funds as reimbursement from the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) for fiscal year (FY) 2012. UASI grants are provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to fund the needs of large urban areas, associated with building a sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism.

In July 2012, DHS awarded the City grant monies in support of the FY12 UASI program. On December 14, 2012, City Council authorized the Mayor's Office to accept the UASI grant award. The Mayor's Office of Homeland Security and Public Safety, serving as fiduciary agent, will administer grant funds provided to the City.

Items approved for full grant reimbursement subsequent to expenditure by the Harbor Department is equipment to be procured for the Maritime Law Enforcement Training Center (MLETC) in the amount of \$132,000. The award is for a two-year period ending May 31, 2014. There will be no cost share associated with the award, nor are there any annual operating and maintenance costs associated with the equipment purchases.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board):

1. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department and the City of Los Angeles to provide receipt of funds for reimbursement from the Urban Area Security Initiative;
2. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the proposed Memorandum of Agreement for and on behalf of the Board;
and
3. Adopt Resolution No. _____.

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - MOA FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF UASI FUNDS FOR FY12

DISCUSSION:

Background/Context: In July 2012, DHS awarded the City grant monies in support of the FY12 UASI program for a two-year period ending May 31, 2014. Harbor Department items approved for expenditure are:

Item	Harbor Department Cost	Grant Reimbursement
MLETC Equipment	\$132,000	\$132,000
Total	\$132,000	\$132,000

The purpose and use of the above equipment is described below:

MLETC Equipment: The Harbor Department will procure handheld radiation monitors, multi-gas detectors, aqualung wetsuits, mustang flotation devices, AED defibrillators, and ballistic vests which will establish and equip the MLETC to support preparedness and training for law enforcement/emergency response personnel.

On December 14, 2012, City Council approved a motion authorizing the Mayor's Office to accept the UASI grant award for FY12, Council File (CF) No. 12-0930 (Transmittal 2). The Mayor's Office of Homeland Security and Public Safety will serve as the fiduciary agent and administer grant funds provided to the City. As the fiduciary agent to the DHS, the City is required to execute a MOA (Transmittal 1) with its stakeholders as an instrument for receiving reimbursement from UASI funds. Because the Harbor Department is considered an outside entity with its own revenue stream, separate from Council-controlled departments which receive their budget from the General Fund, a MOA will serve to document the transfer of funds.

The Harbor Department will be reimbursed for grant expenditures when the procurements are executed. The Harbor Department will submit invoices for reimbursement to the Mayor's Office on a monthly basis along with a copy of the invoices supporting the reimbursement request.

The award is for a two-year period ending May 31, 2014. Board approval of the MOA is necessary because the effective period of the MOA exceeds one year.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is approval of a MOA with the City for reimbursement of DHS UASI funds for FY 2012 for procurement of MLETC equipment and training for emergency response personnel. As an administrative activity, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is exempt from the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article II Section 2 (f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

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ECONOMIC BENEFITS:

This Board action will have no employment impact in the five-county region.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The entire cost of the items covered under this MOA is to be reimbursed by DHS under the UASI FY12 Grant Program through the Mayor's Office upon requests for drawdown of funds. The Harbor Department will be responsible for budgeting and paying for the initial procurements and then requesting full reimbursement through the MOA. Because the Harbor Department is expected to be fully reimbursed for items covered under the MOA, there will be no cost share requirement for the Harbor Department. There are no expected ongoing operating and maintenance costs associated with the items covered under the MOA.

Initial procurement costs are expected to be expended during FY 2013/2014 by the Harbor Department. Funds are budgeted within Port Police Division's FY 2013/2014 budget as follows:

Account	Center	Program	Total
59981	0412	640	\$132,000

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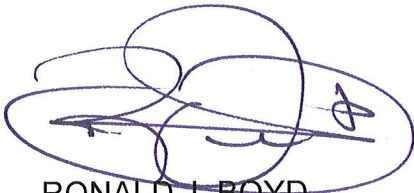
CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has reviewed and approved the MOA as to form and legality.

TRANSMITTALS:

1. Memorandum of Agreement
2. Council File No. 12-0930 (December 14, 2012, Council Action with Mayor's concurrence, approving acceptance of 2012 UASI grant award.)

FIS Approval:  (initials)
CA Approval:  (initials)



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