



THE PORT  
OF LOS ANGELES  
Executive Director's  
Report to the

Board of Harbor Commissioners

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2023**

**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 2022**

**SUMMARY:**

Staff requests approval to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the City of Los Angeles (City), for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program. If approved, the proposed Federal award will be for \$1,000,000 with an award date of September 1, 2022.

Under the terms of the proposed MOA, the Harbor Department will be fully reimbursed for the \$1,000,000 in expenses expected to be incurred for the maintenance of the Land Mobile Radio Upgrade Project. The award is for a three-year period ending May 31, 2025. There is no cost share required under this FY 2022 UASI Grant Program. The Harbor Department will be financially responsible for incurring expenses associated with the initial purchase of \$1,000,000 for maintenance authorized under this MOA.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

1. Find that the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II Section 2(f) and Article III Class 1(6) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines;
2. Approve the Grant Award between the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department and the City of Los Angeles for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the Fiscal Year 2022 Urban Area Security Initiative;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the Obligating Document for the Award;
4. Authorize the Harbor Department to implement the project approved for funding by the City; and
5. Adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ accepting the Grant Award for UASI FY 2022.

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**DISCUSSION:**

Background/Context: On November 4, 2021, the Harbor Department, through an Information Memo (Transmittal 1), advised the Board that the Port Police would be applying for a project under the FY 2022 UASI Grant Program. On October 21, 2022, the Mayor's Office submitted a letter (Transmittal 2) to the Los Angeles City Council requesting submission of the UASI FY 22 Grant Program and that \$1,000,000 be allocated to the Port Police Division on behalf of the Harbor Department. On July 5, 2023, the Council adopted the UASI FY 2022 grant which has no cost share and is one hundred percent reimbursable. The Mayor's Office will act as a fiduciary agent.

The Harbor Department will use the grant funds to maintain the existing Land Mobile Radio System, which provides a direct connection and interoperability with neighboring agencies throughout Los Angeles County. The maintenance consists of access to a 24/7 technical support desk, on-site support, annual preventive maintenance, network hardware repair, 24/7 security monitoring, and network updates.

Request for changes, including but not limited to, extensions and change in scope, will be submitted to the Mayor's Office for approval. The UASI Grant Award is a reimbursement grant and includes a number of terms and conditions that must be followed in order for the grant recipient to be reimbursed. Port Police is responsible for and will comply with the conditions of the Grant Award.

The terms and conditions for this grant are the Department of Homeland Security Standard Terms and Conditions and CalOES Standard Assurances and are listed in the MOA (Transmittal 3). The Assurances for this grant include cost principles, audit requirements, administrative requirements, and reporting requirements as follows:

The Harbor Department, using existing staff, shall comply with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, as implemented by 2 C.F.R. Part 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards".

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

The proposed action is the approval of the MOA with the City for the reimbursement of funds for the UASI Grant Program for the Lang Mobile Radio Upgrade Project, which is an administrative activity. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of CEQA in accordance with Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

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**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Approval of the proposed MOA will enable the Harbor Department to receive a reimbursement totaling \$1,000,000 for expenses incurred for the maintenance of the Land Mobile Radio Upgrade Project. Fiscal Year 2023-24 funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is available within Account 54030 (Maintenance Services - Equipment), Division 0412, Program 000. Reimbursements under the proposed MOA will be recorded within Account 76080 (Federal Grants - Operating), Division 6000, Program 000.

Total Project spending is estimated to occur as follows:

Fiscal Year (FY)	Project Costs
2024	\$1,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

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

**TRANSMITTAL(S):**

1. Information Memo to the Board of Harbor Commissioners
2. UASI FY 2022 Council File 22-0988
3. UASI FY 2022 MOA

FIS Approval: JS  
CA Approval: SO



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