



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

Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: OCTOBER 6, 2020

FROM: PORT POLICE

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - ACCEPTANCE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY GRANT UNDER FISCAL YEAR 2020 PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM, AWARD NO. EMW-2020-PU-00198

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval to accept and enter into a Grant Award, EMW-2020-PU-00198, with the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). If approved, the proposed Federal award will be \$2,108,000 with an award date of September 1, 2020.

Items approved for grant reimbursement subsequent to expenditure by the Harbor Department are as follows: Security System Maintenance - \$937,500, Security System Expansion and Integration Equipment - \$937,500, Maritime Operations Training - \$8,000, and Maritime Operations Equipment - \$225,000. The award is for a three-year period ending August 31, 2023. A 25% cost share is required under this FY 2020 PSGP, which will be funded by the Harbor Department. The Harbor Department's cost share for the projects is \$702,667, resulting in a total cost of \$2,810,667 for all four projects.

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 administratively and categorically 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, Grant No. EMW-2020-PU-00198 between the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department and the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the Fiscal Year 2020 Port Security Grant Program;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the Obligating Document for the Award;

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- 4. Authorize the Harbor Department to implement the projects approved for funding by the DHS; and
- 5. Adopt Resolution No. _____ accepting the Grant Award for EMW-2020-PU-00198 for FY 2020 PSGP.

DISCUSSION:

Background/Context: On February 28, 2020, FEMA announced the FY 2020 Notice of Funding Opportunity (Transmittal 1). The FY 2020 PSGP focused on enhancing cybersecurity; enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places; addressing emerging threats; effective planning; training and awareness campaigns; equipment and capital projects; and exercises.

On March 17, 2020, the Harbor Department, through an Information Memo (Transmittal 2), advised the Board of Harbor Commissioners that the Port Police would be applying for five projects under the FY 2020 Port Security Grant Program.

On August 20, 2020, the Harbor Department was awarded four projects for this round of port security grants:

PROJECT	FEDERAL AMOUNT	25% NON-FEDERAL AMOUNT	TOTAL PROJECT COST
Security System Maintenance	\$937,500	\$312,500	\$1,250,000
Security System Expansion and Integration Equipment	\$937,500	\$312,500	\$1,250,000
Maritime Operations Training	\$8,000	\$2,667	\$10,667
Maritime Operations Equipment	\$225,000	\$75,000	\$300,000
Totals	\$2,108,000	\$702,667	\$2,810,667

Security System Maintenance: The Security System Maintenance project supports multiple security systems implemented under previous rounds of the PSGP. This program continues to facilitate the ongoing maintenance and repair necessary to sustain the security system and ensure the continued effectiveness of the Port’s security program. This project extends the useful life of the camera and access control systems for a fraction of the cost of full replacement.

Security System Expansion and Integration Equipment: The Security System Integration project will fund the equipment for the expansion and integration of new and replacement cameras from various Port locations into the existing security system. This project will facilitate the replacement of end-of-life cameras and the installation of new cameras required to sustain the security system and ensure the continued effectiveness of the Port’s security program. Specific programs supported under the program include, but are not limited to, Closed Circuit Television (CCTV), access control, and the Waterside Surveillance System (WSS) network.

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Maritime Operations Training: Maritime Operation Training project will fund the Underwater Hazardous Device Search Training at Terminal Island. Eight Port Police Officers are approved for this training course.

Maritime Operations Equipment: The Maritime Operations Equipment project will fund one Aerial Observation Without Limits (OWL) Radar system for drone counter measures.

The FY 2020 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act provides funds for a competitive grant program to address physical security enhancements for critical national seaports. The selection of projects submitted was based on the PSGP Application and Guidance package. For the purposes of the PSGP, and due to the high frequency of Sensitive Security Information (SSI) found in Investment Justifications (IJ), all IJs shall be considered SSI and as directed by FEMA, treated as such.

Request for changes, including but not limited to, extensions and change in scope, are to be submitted to the DHS Port Security Grant Program Manager for approval. The DHS PSGP 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 Harbor Department may request cost reimbursement on a monthly basis. The terms and conditions for this grant are "Agreement Articles," which are listed in full on the Award document (Transmittal 3). The Agreement Articles 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" (known as Super Circular).

The Harbor Department, using existing staff, shall submit a Progress Report, as per the Port Security Grant Program Guidelines for biannual and final reports as well as quarterly financial reports (SF425).

As required by the Super Circular, the recipient shall notify the FEMA of the developments that have significant impact on award-supported projects.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is the approval of and entrance into a Grant Award with FEMA for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the FY 2020 PSGP and implementation of PSGP projects, which is an administrative activity and an

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activity involving the addition of safety, security, health or environmental protection devices for use in conjunction with existing structures, facilities or mechanical equipment. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively and categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA in accordance with Article II Section 2(f) and Article III Class 1(6) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Items covered under this Grant Award Agreement will be partially reimbursed by DHS under FY 2020 PSGP through FEMA. The total grant award is \$2,108,000, for a three-year period ending August 31, 2023. A 25% cost share for these projects in the amount of \$702,667 is required under the FY 2020 PSGP and will be funded by the Harbor Department. Total costs and fiscal year spending associated with each of the four projects covered under the FY 2020 PSGP, inclusive of grant funds and the 25% Harbor Department cost share are summarized as follows:

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The Harbor Department must front-fund all expenses before requesting reimbursement. Funding for the Security System Maintenance and Security System Expansion and Integration Equipment will be requested in future fiscal years as part of the annual budget process.

Funds for FY 20/21 are budgeted in the following accounts: Security System Maintenance, Expansion and Integration Equipment, in Center 0412 (Port Police), Program 000, Account 54286 (Port Security Services) in the amount of \$833,334, and Maritime Operations Training in Center 0412 (Port Police) Program 000, Account 51720 (Training Fees and Materials) in the amount of \$10,667.

PROJECT	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	TOTAL PROJECT COST
Security System Maintenance	\$416,667	\$416,667	\$416,666	\$1,250,000
Security System Expansion and Integration Equipment	\$416,667	\$416,667	\$416,666	\$1,250,000
Maritime Operations Training	\$10,667			\$10,667
Maritime Operations Equipment		\$300,000		\$300,000
Total	\$844,001	\$1,133,334	\$833,332	\$2,810,667

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Grant recipients are mandated by the DHS to maintain all equipment and systems purchased through the PSGP. Failure to properly maintain equipment and systems may result in a denial of future grant requests.

Beyond installation, there are numerous ongoing costs associated with running and maintaining the Harbor Department's Waterside Security Surveillance system; therefore the Security System Maintenance, as well as the Security System Expansion and Integration Equipment projects will have recurring costs not to exceed their total annual project amounts. Port Police will budget an annual \$2,500,000 post project completion, for future maintenance, integration, and system enhancement costs. Port Police will continue to request annual grant funding for the ongoing sustainability of these projects.

CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has reviewed the Grant Award Agreement as to form and legality.

TRANSMITTAL(S):

1. PSGP FY 2020 Notice of Funding Opportunity
2. Information Memo to the Board of Harbor Commissioners
3. PSGP FY 2020 Award Letter/Package

FIS Approval: MB
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