



**THE PORT  
OF LOS ANGELES**  
Executive Director's  
Report to the  
Board of Harbor Commissioners

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**

**FROM: PORT POLICE**

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE 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 2018**

**SUMMARY:**

Staff requests approval of a First Amendment to a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City of Los Angeles (City) and the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program. The First Amendment reduces the original amount of the MOA from \$3,493,729 to \$3,424,692.

The item approved for grant reimbursement by the Harbor Department was Phase II of a Land Mobile Radio Upgrade Project in the amount of \$3,493,729. The project was completed under budget by \$69,037, therefore a reimbursement request of \$3,424,692 was requested and received by the Harbor Department.

In order to complete the grant close out, the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office requires that the MOA is amended to reflect the actual reimbursement amount of \$3,424,692.

**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 exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines;
2. Approve the First Amendment between the City of Los Angeles and the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department under the Fiscal Year 2018 Urban Area Security Initiative for the actual reimbursement amount of \$3,424,692, allowing the Mayor's Office to close out the grant;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the MOA First Amendment; and

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4. Adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ accepting the Grant Award for UASI FY 2018.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Background/Context:** On October 1, 2018, the City of Los Angeles Mayor’s Office received notification of award in the amount of \$56,236,000 from the State of California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES). On December 21, 2018, the Mayor’s Office submitted to the Los Angeles City Council (C.F. 18-0397) a letter requesting acceptance of the UASI FY 18 Grant Program and requested \$3,493,729 be allocated to the Port Police Division on behalf of the Harbor Department. On April 17, 2019, the City Council adopted the UASI FY Grant Program. The Mayor’s Office acted as a fiduciary agent, which has no cost share and is one hundred percent reimbursable.

Item	Harbor Department Cost	Grant Reimbursement
Land Mobile Radio Upgrade Project Phase II	\$3,493,729	\$3,493,729
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,493,729</b>	<b>\$3,493,729</b>

The Harbor Department used the grant to fund the upgrade of the existing Public Safety radio system. The project will support the same P25 Trunking Radio platform in use throughout the region. This phase of the project will bring a mission critical, state of the art trunking system to the Port and will provide a communication platform that provides direct connection and interoperability with neighboring agencies throughout the county.

On August 14, 2019, the Harbor Department, through its Board of Harbor Commissioners accepted the grant and entered into Agreement No. 19-3671 with the City of Los Angeles for the reimbursement of the Fiscal Year 2018 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program.

The project was completed under budget by \$69,037, therefore a reimbursement request of \$3,424,692 was requested and received by the Harbor Department.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

The proposed action is approval of the First Amendment to the MOA with the City of Los Angeles for the reimbursement of funds allocated to the Harbor Department under the FY 2018 UASI Grant Program, 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:**

The First Amendment is administrative in nature and is required for grant closure. The entire cost of the items covered under the MOA were reimbursed by Cal OES under the FY18 UASI Grant Program through the Mayor's Office in the amount of \$3,424,692.

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

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

**TRANSMITTAL(S):**

1. UASI FY 2018 MOA First Amendment

FIS Approval: MB  
CA Approval: SO

  
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