

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to acceptance of grant funds for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Program- COVID-19 Supplemental (AFG-S).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. ACCEPT the FY 2020 AFG-S funding in the amount up to \$868,591.69 for the performance period of July 20, 2020 through July 19, 2021 and any extension of the performance period granted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
2. AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), or designee, to:
 - a. Execute any documents or agreements necessary to accept the grant on the City's behalf.
 - b. Expend funds in the amount up to \$998,880.44 from the LAFD's Fund No. 100/38, Account No. 6020 for the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment in accordance with the FY 2020 AFG-S award.
3. AUTHORIZE the LAFD to:
 - a. Deposit FY 2020 AFG-S fund reimbursements into Fund No. 335/38, Account to be determined.
 - b. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize and instruct the Controller to implement the instructions.
4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Transfer up to \$868,591.69 from Fund No. 335/38, Account to be determined to Fund No. 100/38, Account No. 6020 upon submission of proper documentation by the LAFD of expenses incurred during the grant performance period.
 - b. Transfer \$130,288.75 from Fund No. 100/38, Account No. 1012, Salaries Sworn, to Fund No. 100/38, Account No. 6020, Operating Supplies, to support the City's match requirement for the grant.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board of Fire Commissioners (Board) reports that the LAFD FY 2020-21 General Fund budget will front-fund the expenditure of up to \$998,880.44 associated with the FY 2020 AFG-S. FEMA will reimburse the LAFD up to a total of \$868,591.69; the required cost share of up to \$130,288.75 will be absorbed by LAFD Account No. 6020.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On December 8, 2020, your Committee considered an October 20, 2020 Board report relative

to the acceptance of grant funds for the FY 2020 AFG-S. According to the Board, the FY 2020 AFG-S provides funding for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to increase the safety of firefighting personnel and protect the public during the COVID-19 pandemic. The LAFD submitted an application under the grant to procure PPEs, specifically, eye protection, isolation gowns, coveralls, gloves, respirators, and surgical type face masks, to be used immediately by its members who are on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic. LAFD members are required to don PPEs for each COVID-19 patient that the members encounter; and the members must provide the patient with a surgical type face mask; thus, the LAFD's PPE burn rate is significant. On July 24, 2020, FEMA notified the LAFD of an award of funds from the FY 2020 AFG-S to purchase PPEs. The total approved budget for the PPEs is \$998,880.44. FEMA will fund \$868,591.69 on a reimbursement basis. The LAFD cost share amount of \$130,288.75 will be absorbed by the LAFD Fund No. 6020 account. The grant performance period for the FY2020 AFG-S is July 20, 2020 through July 19, 2021. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of accepting the donation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

| <u>MEMBER</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
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| RODRIGUEZ: | YES |
| O'FARRELL: | YES |
| BUSCAINO: | YES |
| RYU: | YES |
| LEE: | ABSENT |

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