

REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Date: May 15, 2023
To: The Mayor and Council
From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer
Reference: Transmittal from the Mayor's Office dated May 12, 2023; referred for report on May 12, 2023
Subject: **FISCAL YEAR 2020 URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT – BUDGET MODIFICATIONS AND CONTRACTING AUTHORITIES**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

1. Authorize the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Modify the existing grant budget (Council File No. 20-1156) for the Fiscal Year 2020 Urban Areas Security Initiative grant by reallocating funds between projects and conducting the necessary fiscal transfers as described within this report;
 - b. Increase contracting authority to the amount of \$290,938 with International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), for an automated threat sharing platform, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - c. Decrease contracting authority to the amount of \$39,062 for a Regional Cyber Services Coordinator, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - d. Decrease contracting authority to the amount of \$150,000 for a Regional Communications ISSI Coordinator, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - e. Decrease contracting authority to the amount of \$188,650 with the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and,
2. Authorize the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

SUMMARY

The Mayor's Office of Public Safety (Mayor's Office) requests authority to modify the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Fiscal Year 2020 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY20 UASI) grant budget through allocations and fiscal transfers. These modifications are pending Grantor approval.

The FY 2020 UASI grant acceptance, as approved by Council on March 24, 2021, has a grant performance period of September 1, 2020 through May 31, 2023, and provides a total allocation of \$56,236,000 that is distributed among the City of Los Angeles (City) and Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area (LA/LB UA) Partner Jurisdictions. While the grant funds are provided to the entire LA/LB UA, the City serves as the administrative and fiscal agent for the grant and receives the total allocation to distribute the grant funds in accordance with the approved grant budget. No matching funds are required for this grant. A detail of the Fiscal Year 2020 UASI Investment Justifications and programmatic funding can be found in previous reports under C.F. 20-1156.

Requested Grant Modifications

Los Angeles Cybersecurity

The Mayor's Office requests to increase the contracting authority amount from \$170,000 to \$290,938, initially provided for a contract with International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) for the Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform (TISP). The additional \$120,938 requested will fund six additional months of services and allow the TISP project to better support cyber threat intelligence sharing with regional and national partners and provide for increased cyberattack preparation and defense. The increased funding will be obtained by reducing the Mayor's Office Regional Cyber Services Coordinator Project by \$120,938, which will reduce its current contracting authority to \$39,062 and fund 2.5 months of services. These services will provide the LA Cyber Lab and the Joint Regional Intelligence Center with a technical expert who will produce assessments, intelligence reports, and coordinate with the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC), the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA,) and the California Cybersecurity Integration Center Cal-CSIC. This position will continue to be funded through the Fiscal Year 2021 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY21 UASI) grant award. This modification is pending Grantor approval.

Los Angeles Mayor's Office

The Mayor's Office requests to reduce the contracting authority amount from \$268,000 to \$150,000, for a Regional Communications Inter-RF Subsystem Interface (ISSI) Coordinator. The reduction is attributed to the additional time required, beyond the FY20 UASI performance period, to complete the project. Subsequently, the remaining deliverables will be completed with the FY21 UASI grant award utilizing the previously approved budget and contracting authority. As a result of this reduction, the FY20 UASI project budget will be reduced, with the balance being returned to the Mayor's Office Management and Administration contracting budget. This modification is pending Grantor approval.

Los Angeles Police Department

The Mayor's Office requests to reduce the contracting authority amount from \$300,000 to \$188,650, for a sole source contract with the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) for Jurisdictional Crisis Incident Management Training to \$188,650. The reduction is attributed to the need for a condensed course to meet the FY20 UASI grant performance period deadline. This course will continue to provide jurisdictional teams with incident management and decision-making skills required to safely and effectively manage any "All Hazards" large-scale or catastrophic incident (man-made or terrorism) in their respective jurisdiction/region. The \$111,350 remaining in savings will be transferred to the LAPD's Crime Analysis Mapping System II (CAMS II) project. This modification is pending Grantor approval.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations within this report will have no additional impact to the General Fund and will provide for the continued expenditure of the Fiscal Year 2020 Urban Areas Security Initiative grant award for grant-related projects. No matching funds are required for this grant.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations provided in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that all grant funds will be utilized for grant-eligible activities.

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