

AGENDA ITEM #: _____

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

SUBJECT: Arizona Department of Homeland Security Grant Award

STAFF PRESENTER(S): Santiago Rodriguez, Acting Chief of Police

OTHER PRESENTER(S): None

Summary: Acceptance of Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant from Arizona Department of Homeland Security

Recommendation: Accept the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive (CBRNE) Response Team Sustainment/Enhancement Grant of \$39,000 from the Arizona Department of Homeland Security and authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute all documents necessary to administer the grant award.

Fiscal Impact: The current grant award of \$39,000 is on a reimbursable basis. No matching funds are required. This year's grant will fund the purchase of five self-contained breathing apparatus' (SCBA's), a satellite phone and two conferences. The SCBA's are tested every five years and total estimated maintenance costs are less than \$1,000. Goodyear Police Department will absorb these costs within the department budget. There are no costs associated with the satellite phone. The grant period is October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Background and Previous Actions

In 2004, Phase I of the federal UASI grant funds established Rapid Response Teams (RRT's) for the Central UASI Region in the state of Arizona. The existing Central Region RRT program is based upon "heavy rescue trucks" located in five core cities in the Central Region (Phoenix, Glendale, Tempe, Mesa, and Chandler). The rapid growth of the metropolitan Phoenix area in western and southeastern state-wide response to terrorism incidents, in addition to large-scale natural and man-made events, has increased the need for protection. They are dual discipline in that these units can provide both hazardous materials and technical rescue response capabilities.

The Goodyear Police Department annually submits an application and has received grant

funding ranging from \$50,000 to \$750,000 (2008 CBRNE response vehicle) which provides for additional equipment and training to strengthen CBRNE detection, response and decontamination capabilities.

Staff Analysis

Participation in the UASI/CBRNE Response Team Sustainment/Enhancement program is an additional response capability to meet current and future needs of the community. This grant award will provide continued training and expansion of team equipment that will enhance the ability to function in all-hazards environments.

The program will also continue to provide response to both local and regional hazardous materials incidents and statewide events while maintaining interoperability communication capabilities through the sustainment grant award.

Attachments

Arizona Department of Homeland Security Subrecipient Agreement