

AGENDA ITEM #: _____

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

SUBJECT: Arizona Department of Homeland Security Grant Award

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

OTHER PRESENTER(S): None

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

Recommendation:

Accept the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive (CBRNE) Response Team grant of \$40,000 from the Arizona Department of Homeland Security and authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute all documents to administer the grant award

Fiscal Impact: The Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant is funded and managed by the Arizona Department of Homeland Security. The grant award amount is \$40,000, with no matching fund requirement from the City of Goodyear. There are no new operating budget impacts from the items to be acquired with the grant funds.

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 received grant funding 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 equipment replacement, SCBA spare cylinders, and canisters.

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