

City of Rialto

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For City Council Meeting [January 23, 2018]

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

APPROVAL: Rob R. Steel, Interim City Administrator

FROM: Mark P. Kling, Interim Chief of Police

Request City Council to Adopt **Budget Resolution No.** <u>7274</u> Accepting the Fiscal Year 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program (HGSP) and Increasing Estimated Revenue and Appropriating Expenditures in the Amount of \$27,496.

BACKGROUND:

The California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) is the agency vested with the duties, powers, purposes, responsibilities, and jurisdictions previously held within the Governor's Offices of Homeland Security (OHS) and Emergency Services (OES).

Specifically, Cal EMA is responsible for designing and implementing homeland security initiatives and ensuring the State's readiness is at its maximum potential to respond to and recover from the effects of all crises. Through these efforts, Cal EMA remains committed to the four mission areas of the HGSP - to prevent, prepare, respond and recover.

ANALYSIS/DISCUSSION:

The California Governor's Office of Homeland Security allocates funds through the Office of Emergency Services. Proposed projects must relate to any of the State's priorities, which are as follows:

- Interoperable Communications
- Catastrophic Planning
- Medical Surge
- Citizen Preparedness
- Critical Infrastructure
- Training/Equipment
- Food and Agriculture Safety

Applications for fiscal year 2017 funds for law enforcement were coordinated through the San Bernardino County Office of Emergency Services. The City of Rialto Police Department was awarded \$27,496 for the purchase of specific equipment. Due to the limited time constraints of grant preparation and submission, staff continues working toward identification of equipment applicable to department-community needs. Staff is currently developing a potential use of funds for development and implementation of an unmanned aerial vehicle (Drone) program. The usage of grant funds is

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allowable for this program development and will support state priorities, including improving our information sharing and collaboration capabilities with allied law enforcement agencies. Once staff completes necessary development of the unmanned aerial vehicle program and any associated grant requirements, a staff report will be brought to council for information purposes.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The proposed action does not meet the definition of a project as defined by Section 15378 California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A "Project" means the whole of an action, which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and excludes the following:

- 1) Continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personnel -related actions, general policy and procedure making.
- 2) Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY:

The City of Rialto has outlined key goals and objects relating to public safety. The purchase of this technology is in consistent with meeting these objectives.

Goal 5-8: Provide effective and comprehensive policing services that meet the safety needs of Rialto.

LEGAL REVIEW:

The City Attorney has reviewed and approved this staff report and resolution.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Rialto Police Department is estimated to receive \$27,496. Staff recommends increasing revenues in the amount of \$27,496 to the Homeland Security Grant Account No. 247-400-6978-7560 and appropriating \$7,496 in Account No. 247-500-6978-2022 and \$20,000 in Account No. 247-500-6978-3030 for a total amount of \$27,496 for the cost associated with the small unmanned aircraft project.

Name of Agency or Department	U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency
CDFA#	97.067
Name of Program	2017 Homeland Security Grant Program
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funded (Yes / No)	No
Direct/ Pass-through	Pass-through
Name of Grant	FY2017 Homeland Security Grant Program
Grant Period	09/1/2017 - 05/31/2020
Award Amount	\$27,496

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council:

- Accept the grant award from the FY17 Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$27,496.
- Approve the Budget Resolution.