

City of Rialto

Legislation Text

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For City Council Meeting [September 10, 2019]

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

APPROVAL: Rod Foster, City Administrator

FROM: Mark P. Kling, Chief of Police

Request City Council to Accept the Fiscal Year 2018 Homeland Security Grant Program (HGSP) in the Amount of \$24,962.

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 2018 funds for law enforcement were coordinated through the San Bernardino County Office of Emergency Services. The City of Rialto Police Department was awarded \$24,962 for Active Shooter Vest Kits. Oftentimes, suspects involved in an active shooter event utilize high caliber ammunition to defeat the soft body armor of first responding law enforcement personnel. It is our intent to outfit our sworn personnel with Active Shooter Vest Kits that are specifically designed to be rapidly deployed and protect the wearer's vital organs from high caliber ammunition.

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 supports this staff report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Operating Budget Impact

The City of Rialto Police Department is estimated to receive \$24,962 from the 2018 Homeland Security Grant Program. During the quarterly budget review process, staff will recommend increasing revenues in the amount of \$24,962 of the Homeland Security Grant Account No. 247-400-6983-7560 and appropriating \$24,962 in Account No. 247-500-6983-2021 for the amount of \$24,962 for the expenses associated with this grant.

Name of Agency or Department	U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency
CDFA#	97.067
Name of Program	2018 Homeland Security Grant Program
American Recovery and Reinvestment Ac (ARRA) Funded (Yes/No)	tNo
Direct/Pass-through	Pass-through
Name of Grant	FY2018 Homeland Security Grant Program
Grant Period	09/01/2019 - 03/31/2021
Award Amount	\$24,962

Capital Improvement Budget Impact

This report does not impact the Capital Improvement Budget.

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Licensing

This action does not trigger a requirement for a business license.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council accept the grant award from the FY18 Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$24,962.