



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: 11/18/2014

AGENDA OF: 12/9/2014

DEPARTMENT: Police

SUBJECT: 2015 Homeland Security Grant Funding – Budget Adjustment (PD/FD)

RECOMMENDATION: Resolution to accept Homeland Security Grant funding in the amount of \$251,293 for the purchase of a regional emergency response and rescue vehicle and amend the FY 2015 budget in the amount \$251,293.

BACKGROUND: The United States Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”) consolidated the separate San Jose, Oakland, and San Francisco Urban Areas into a combined Bay Area Urban Area (“UASI Region”) for the purpose of application for and allocation and distribution of federal Urban Areas Security Initiative (“UASI”) program grant funds.

The Bay Area Urban Area Approval Authority (“Approval Authority”) was established as the Urban Area Working Group (“UAWG”) for the UASI Region, to provide overall governance of the homeland security grant program across the UASI Region, to coordinate development and implementation of all UASI program initiatives, and to ensure compliance with all UASI program requirements.

The UASI General Manager is responsible for implementing and managing the policy and program decisions of the Approval Authority, directing the work of the UASI Management Team personnel, and performing other duties as determined and directed by the Approval Authority.

The City and County of San Francisco has been designated as the grantee for UASI funds granted by the DHS through the California Office of Emergency Services (“Cal OES”) to the UASI Region, with responsibility to establish procedures and execute subgrant agreements for the distribution of UASI program grant funds to jurisdictions selected by the Approval Authority to receive grant funding.

San Francisco has been designated to serve as the fiscal agent for the Approval Authority, and to establish procedures and provide all financial services for distribution of UASI program grant funds within the UASI Region.

The UASI recognized that the Santa Cruz region did not have an appropriately equipped emergency response and rescue vehicle. Pursuant to grant allocation decisions by the Approval Authority, the UASI Management Team has asked San Francisco to distribute a portion of the

regional UASI grant funds to the Santa Cruz Police Department to equip the Santa Cruz region with an appropriate emergency response and rescue vehicle. The City of Santa Cruz will be required to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City and County of San Francisco for the distribution of the UASI funds. UASI will fund up to \$220,000 toward this project.

Additional funding will include the dedication of our 2013 allotment of monies distributed to Santa Cruz County by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. This funding is provided annually from the Homeland Security Grant Program intended to provide financial assistance for the purchase of various types of specialized equipment to enhance the capabilities of local agencies to respond to critical incidents and threats. Under the FY 2014 program, Santa Cruz County received \$297,596 to share among first responder agencies. Through a predetermined formula, the Santa Cruz Police Department will receive \$31,293 of this allocation. The funds are distributed through the Santa Cruz County Anti-Terrorism Approval Authority. The Approval Authority was established with representatives of county public safety agencies to provide guidance for the expenditure of these funds. The Police Department proposed contributing our annual allotment toward this project. The project meets the stated goals of the Homeland Security Grant Program and was granted approval for the expenditure.

Combining these two sources of funding, gives a total of \$251,293 to cover procurement cost for the vehicle.

The use of this vehicle is consistent with the Police Department's current training and integration of emergency medical personnel from the Fire Department in a high-risk environment. The two departments have been cross-training and have developed a collaborative team capable of response and rescues in threshold incidents. This cross-disciplinary integration is consistent with anticipated mandates coming from the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). The proposed rescue vehicle is a significant piece of this successful partnership.

Additional recognition of the critical need and backing for this project came by way of support from:

Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Association
Santa Cruz County Police Chief's Association
Sam Farr, United States House of Representatives

DISCUSSION: The Police Department and the Santa Cruz region have a critical need for a contemporary rescue vehicle to safely transport and deploy first responders to hazardous situations where public safety is jeopardized. A key function of this vehicle is the ability to safely extract injured and at-risk victims from a high-risk environment. The vehicle is designed to provide maximum protection for first responders and crime victims. It is intended for use in emergency events including, but not limited to life-threatening public safety events, natural disasters, mass casualty incidents, high-risk medical emergencies.

As stated in the agreement, Santa Cruz will provide regional rescue vehicle availability and response capability for appropriate emergency medical and law enforcement agencies.

The Santa Cruz Police Department was selected as the area grantee in part, for the existing critical need coupled with our exceptional response and situational competencies. Those

competencies include our extended cross-training with, and integration of, emergency medical responders in high risk situations. Additional consideration included the designation of our beach areas as a protected Federal Buffer Zone and the increased potential for public safety threats.

Additional factors in the consideration of Santa Cruz for this project are consistent with the DHS strategy used in comparable locations for regional deployment. The City of Santa Cruz not only serves as the county seat, but is also significantly impacted by additional population influxes created by major tourism destinations and a University of California campus. These factors are consistent with other full-service California cities that have obtained and successfully deployed regional rescue vehicles under this program. Some examples of comparable cities that have successfully obtained and deployed a regional rescue vehicle include Santa Barbara, Huntington Beach, Pasadena, Pomona, Redondo Beach, San Luis Obispo, and Visalia.

FISCAL IMPACT: As this is a reimbursement grant, there is no net impact to the General Fund.

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Approved by:
Martin Bernal
City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:
Budget Adjustment

**City of Santa Cruz
BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST**

<input checked="" type="radio"/> Council Approval Resolution No. _____
<input type="radio"/> Successor Agency Resolution No. _____
<input type="radio"/> Administrative Approval

<input checked="" type="radio"/> Current Fiscal Year
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TO: FINANCE DIRECTOR
FROM: CHIEF OF POLICE

DATE: 11/07/2014

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>REVENUE EDEN ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	
101-20-22-2103-43114	Homeland Security Grants	31,293
g201401-450-1163-0	2013 Homeland Security Grant	
101-20-22-2103-43114	Bay Area UASI Grant	220,000
g201501-450-1163-0	Homeland Security Bay Area UASI	
TOTAL REVENUE		251,293

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE EDEN ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	
101-20-22-2103-57402	Capital Outlay - Vehicle Equipment	31,293
g201401-100-2020-0	2013 Homeland Security Grant	
101-20-22-2103-57402	Capital Outlay - Vehicle Equipment	220,000
g201501-100-2020-0	Homeland Security Bay Area UASI	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		251,293

NET: \$ _____ 0

Purpose:

Combining annual Homeland Security grant funds with 2014 Bay Area UASI grant funds for purchase of response and rescue vehicle

Council Agenda: 12/09/2014

REQUESTED BY	DEPARTMENT HEAD APPROVAL	ACCOUNTING APPROVAL	FINANCE DIRECTOR APPROVAL	CITY MANAGER APPROVAL
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Sent: Thursday, December 04, 2014 5:06 PM
To: Lynn Robinson; Don Lane; Hilary Bryant; Pamela Comstock; Cynthia Mathews; Micah Posner; David Terrazas
Cc: Martin Bernal; Scott Collins; Mark Dettle; Rachel Christopher; Rosemary Balsley; Bren Lehr
Subject: FW: Agenda Comment for Meeting Date 00/09/2014

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The following information was received for JOINT CITY COUNCIL - SUCCESSOR AGENCY AGENDA 00/09/2014

Agenda Item: 2015 Homeland Security Grant Funding - Budget Adjustment (PD/FD)

Name: Nicholas
Phone:
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Address:
City:
State: California
Zip:

Comment: I'd like to suggest we purchase a clean, alternate fuel vehicle here or at least operate it, along with all capable city vehicles on biodiesel. This local, green fuel protects our air quality as well as helps us meet stated climate change goals. It's also better for the engine and reduces maintenance. We should add ethanol and biodiesel fueling at the city yard if we don't already offer it for vehicles that are not electric. Thank you.
Nicholas

Rosemary Balsley

From: City Council
Sent: Tuesday, December 09, 2014 12:20 PM
To: Lynn Robinson; Don Lane; Hilary Bryant; Pamela Comstock; Cynthia Mathews; Micah Posner; David Terrazas
Cc: Martin Bernal; Scott Collins; Kevin Vogel; Dannettee Shoemaker; Rosemary Balsley; Rachel Christopher; Bren Lehr
Subject: FW: Last Council of the Year Takes a Bow Over the Bodies of the Poor in Santa Cruz

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Cc: City Council; John Malkin; Keith McHenry; Abbi of OSC; Ron Pomerantz; lioness@got.net
Subject: Last Council of the Year Takes a Bow Over the Bodies of the Poor in Santa Cruz

Last Council of the Year Takes a Bow Over the Bodies of the Poor

City Council meets today ignoring the national and local crisis around police class and race profiling. Ignoring foreign militarism, national police scandals, and local police profiling, they will be patting themselves on the back as they vote on a final escalation of the War Against the Poor. Here's a reiteration of some items that are coming up.

UNTOUCHABLE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY MANAGER

At 1 PM in Council chambers, City Council will be following a unusual procedure in holding the open interval of its closed session in this larger room. It will then retire to the smaller City Council Conference room behind the chambers where it usually meets behind closed doors in "Closed Session".

What's peculiar here is the process being followed. Two of the most powerful and well-paid officials in the City--the City Attorney and the City Manager are up for "performance evaluation". The on-line agenda suggests that it will be behind closed doors with the public excluded.

BERNAL CONTROLS VOGEL

City Manager Martin Bernal controls the hiring and firing of the Police Chief Kevin Vogel.

The SCPD refuses to open its records of use and display of force, tasing, pain compliance holds, choke holds, gun drawings, baton use, and so forth (See "SCPD: No Disclosure of When People were PepperSprayed, Choked, Tasered, Gun-Bullied or Shot" at <http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2014/12/04/18765028.php>).

Unaddressed claims of racial profiling also hang over the department (See "Race and Class Bias in the SCPD: What's the Real Story?" at http://www.indybay.org/uploads/2014/12/03/grand_jury_protest_updated.pdf).

City Council is legally required to open its closed sessions--however briefly--for public comment. Of course, Mayor Robinson (and in-coming Mayor Don Lane) haven't cared much for that in such matters as allowing unimpeded recording of City Council meetings (See "Video of the False Arrest at Santa Cruz City Council for Audio Recording " at <http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2014/05/03/18755258.php>)

"RESCUE TANKS" IN SANTA CRUZ?

Consent Agenda Item #13 is titled "2015 Homeland Security Grant Funding - Budget Adjustment (PD/FD)" This is likely to come up shortly after 2:30 PM.

See "Santa Cruz Police to Procure \$250K 'Rescue Vehicle'" at <http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2014/12/08/18765238.php>

Could be another Steve Clark special (he's our reactionary Deputy Police Chief) rushing to amp up the department's aggressive image? With anger against police abuse rising all around the country, it's a good time

I've asked Councilmember Posner to pull this item from the agenda for discussion rather than a rote vote. The public has been banned from pulling items and requiring they be more fully discussed and individually voted on. Other City Councils, our Board of Supervisors, and past City Councils have had this rather elementary public process, but it was removed at the behest of former Mayor and incoming Supervisor Ryan Connerty some years back. Neither Posner nor Lane have moved to restore this process.

Cafe HUFF will be serving brownies and brew (that is, coffee) as well as Jumbogumbo Joe Schultz's soup, hopefully as early as 2:30 PM

STAY-AWAY STUPIDITY

The time for this item is uncertain but probably between 3:30 and 4:30. Come early to be sure.

This is the latest anti-homeless eruption from the Public Safety Task Force/Public Safety Committee. It's another step demonization of the poor outside and follows on a long train of anti-homeless laws and policies.

The law that vastly increases the discretionary power of rangers and cops to arbitrarily ban people from large areas of the city (not just parks) for any infraction, no matter how minor with no court injunction, conviction, or charge.

To paper over this homegrown Constitution-shredding, the City Attorney came back with an "administrative review" process that would have the stay-away order dissolved if a city employee appointed by the city manager finds the infraction "unjustified" "by a preponderance of the evidence".

The new wording of the ordinance is at <http://scsire.cityofsantacruz.com/sirepub/cache/2/e5y2okfjeqxksdpkhmfsya0i/396073312092014110820380>.

PDF . Or go to <http://scsire.cityofsantacruz.com/sirepub/mtgviewer.aspx?meetid=574&doctype=AGENDA> and click on item #18.

All correspondence received by City Council has urged the law be voted down. But it is likely to pass 5-2 or 6-1.

The one-day stay away law, passed last year, and equally un-Constitutional and abusive passed unanimously. Councilmembers Posner and Lane have yet to apologize for this travesty which has been used 1000 times by Homeless Deportation squads in uniform, according to their own figures.

Steve Pleich has said he will appeal the proposed expansion of the law but probably not the current law.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AT 5 PM (OR SO)

Want to raise issues that others are raising on the streets (and that are planned for a Saturday day-long rally at the Town clock)? Come and speak out demanding fundamental changes in the SCPD. (See <http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2014/12/04/18765028.php> for my thoughts on the issue). HUFF will review the record of the Council and the SCPD.

QUAFF CAKE AND BEVERAGES AFTER THE CORONATION

At 7 PM outgoing Council blowhards will make speeches celebrating their wonderful terms in office and the incoming Council elected people will do the same. Around 8 PM or soon thereafter, the whole jolly crew will cross the street to the Civic Auditorium where the public is invited to mingle and munch with them on various pastries and pies. It's a tradition.

Fortify yourself for the Wednesday storm. Bring some homeless friends. Confront the privileged in public. While chowing down at the same time.

HUFF (Homeless United for Friendship & Freedom) meets Wednesday morning at the Sub rosa Cafe 11 AM to plan for protests and express solidarity with those in other cities.

FOR FLYERS AND FURTHER COMMENTS, GO TO:

<http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2014/12/09/18765278.php> .

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13. 2015 Homeland Security Grant Funding - Budget Adjustment (PD/FD)

Resolution to accept Homeland Security Grant funding in the amount of \$251,293 for the purchase of a regional emergency response and rescue vehicle and amend the FY 2015 budget in the amount \$251,293.

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Subject: FW: Tonight's meeting/SCPD vehicle debate

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From: Melanie Premo [mailto:melaniepremo@gmail.com]
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Subject: Tonight's meeting/SCPD vehicle debate

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I've been following the council meeting on television. In case this gets to you before the vote, I'd like to state that, as a resident of Santa Cruz, I am fully in favor of the emergency vehicle being debated, and hope that you approve it.

Furthermore, I don't know if you have yet voted on the Parks ban rule yet, but I also fully support that.

Sincerely,
--Melanie Premo
Santa Cruz resident