

Council Meeting of
August 4, 2009

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Torrance City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Fire – Accept and appropriate FY 2008 Urban Areas Security Initiative federal grant for Terrorism Liaison Officer training and approve a subgrantee agreement with the City of Los Angeles. Expenditure: \$6,750.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that the City Council:

- 1) Accept and appropriate the Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) federal grant in the amount of \$6,750 for Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) training; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the subgrantee agreement (Agreement) with the City of Los Angeles.

Funding

Funding is available from FY 2008 UASI federal grant (\$6,750).

BACKGROUND/ ANALYSIS

The US Department of Homeland Security through the Office of Grants and Training (G&T) has provided financial assistance to selected jurisdictions through the FY 2008 Urban Areas Security Initiative. The purpose of the UASI Program is to address unique equipment, training, planning, and exercise needs of large urban areas, and to assist them in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism. Sixty urban areas are eligible for funding under the FY08 program. Seven of these areas - Los Angeles/Long Beach urban area (LA/LBUA) included - are designated as highest risk UASI jurisdictions and are eligible to compete for 55 percent of available funds.

The G&T awarded a FY 08 UASI Grant of \$60,822,000 to the City of Los Angeles, as a Core City, for use in LA/LBUA. Of this total, LA City subgrants \$6,750 to the City of Torrance through the Agreement. The performance period and the term of the Agreement is from October 22, 2008 through February 28, 2011 and any additional period of time as required to complete any necessary close out activities.

This is a reimbursement grant and the funds will be used overtime associated with sending personnel to TLO training. The Fire Department plans to have all Captains and Battalion Chiefs receive the training.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM RACOWSCHI
Fire Chief



By Neli Mileva
Sr. Administrative Analyst

CONCUR:



William Racowski
Fire Chief



LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

Note: Copies of the Agreement are available at the City Clerk's Office,
City Council's Offices and online at www.TorranceCa.gov.