



# AGENDA REPORT

**TO:** Sabrina B. Landreth  
City Administrator

**FROM:** Teresa Deloach Reed  
Fire Chief

**SUBJECT:** California Fire and Rescue Training  
Authority (CFRTA) Funds

**DATE:** October 17, 2016

City Administrator Approval

Date:

11/21/16

## RECOMMENDATION

**Staff Recommends That The City Council Approve A Resolution: Authorizing The City Administrator, Or Her Designee To Apply For, Accept And Appropriate State Of California Fire And Rescue Training Authority (CFRTA) Funds To The Oakland Fire Department In The Amount Of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) For A Scheduled Mobilization Exercise To Meet Personnel And Supply Expenses For The Training Of The Oakland Fire Department's Urban Search And Rescue (US&R) Team.**

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of this resolution will authorize the acceptance of funding from CFRTA in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to help offset the costs of performing a full-scale disaster exercise as required by the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) and FEMA US&R. Exercise budgets may include expenditures for: personnel, expendable or consumable items, transportation of task force personnel, sanitation facilities, fuel, food, potable water, and communications.

## BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The City of Oakland is the Sponsoring Agency for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Task Force, California Task Force 4 (CA-TF4). Federal funds are provided to the elite US&R task forces to have a response system that provides for the coordination, development, and maintenance of effort to locate, extricate, and provide immediate medical treatment to victims trapped in collapsed structures, and to conduct other lifesaving operations. Federal funding of the US&R Cooperative Agreement has increased from prior years to provide the FEMA Task Forces with improved capabilities in water operations and in rescues conducted in an area contaminated with hazardous waste and materials.

In addition to federal funding, the State of California supports the eight (8) California US&R Task Forces with funding through the California Fire and Rescue Training Authority, to support

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Mobilization Exercises and conduct Urban Search and Rescue training, in preparation for response to disasters such as earthquakes.

There are twenty-eight (28) FEMA US&R Task Forces in the United States, which includes the eight (8) located in California. The Oakland Fire Department Task Force has agreements with sixteen (16) Participating Fire Agencies from the Bay Area that provide Task Force personnel, and support the training and responses of the Oakland Task Force.

Since the 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake, the City of Oakland Fire Department has taken an active role in preparing for an US&R response. In 1991, FEMA sponsored twenty-five (25) National US&R Task Forces and Oakland CA-TF4 has been a part of the National Response System since the inception.

In October 2009, as authorized in City Council Resolution No. 82021 C.M.S., the City of Oakland entered into a three (3) party Memorandum of Agreement for Participation in the National Urban Search and Rescue System with FEMA and the State of California.

Council has approved similar agreements for previous exercises. In 2012, Council approved the agreement (Resolution No. 84151 C.M.S.) for funding in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

#### **ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES**

The funding from the CFRTA allows the Oakland Fire Department Urban Search and Rescue Task Force to conduct a full-scale exercise, at no cost to the City of Oakland, which will improve readiness in the event of a local response for an earthquake or other disaster.

These funds will support a four day mobilization exercise, where members of the CA-TF4 will simulate a variety of catastrophic scenarios requiring a fire and emergency response. The costs associated with this include exercise planning and coordination; participation in the exercise; miscellaneous equipment and consumable costs; and post-exercise staffing and materials costs.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Approval of this resolution will authorize the acceptance and appropriation of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds in an amount not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000). This project is 100% grant funded; there is no fiscal impact to the City. The costs of conducting the exercise in excess of the one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) will be covered by the current FEMA FY 2015 and pending FEMA FY 2016 US&R grants.

1. AMOUNT OF RECOMMENDATION/COST OF PROJECT:  
Cooperative Agreement Amount: \$100,000.

2. COST ELEMENTS OF AGREEMENT/CONTRACT:

<b>Cost Element and Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Estimated one hundred and forty (140) hours of set/development meeting between all drill stakeholders.	\$11,500
Staffing for four days of Mobilization activities, seventy (70) person roster plus overhead positions	\$150,000
Miscellaneous expenses for food, water, lumber, fuel, and other supplies	\$10,000
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST</b>	<b>\$171,500</b>

Funds shall be deposited into the State of California Other Fund (2159), Special Operation Division Organization (20815), Project (G367630) and Special Operation Program (PS18), in various accounts to be determined, and the revenue received from this grant will be deposited to same fund, organization, project, program and the Miscellanea Grants Revenue account (46229).

Expenses in excess of the one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) received from CFRTA shall be paid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Fund (2124), Special Operation Division (20815), Special Operation Program (PS18).

**PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST**

No public outreach was necessary other than the posting on the City's website.

**COORDINATION**

The City Attorney's Office and the Controller's Bureau were both contacted in coordination of this report. All agreements will be vetted through the Office of the City Attorney.

**SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Economic:** Acceptance of this grant will allow for the purchase, rental, and maintenance of equipment necessary for the exercise, which will be purchased locally when feasible, contributing to the local economy.

**Environmental:** None

**Social Equity:** The FEMA US&R Cooperative Agreement provides the City of Oakland Fire Department with access to training and equipment that is specific for Technical Rescues, Structural Collapse, and Disaster Response, which represents a significant enhancement of the local capabilities in the event of a local incident, such as an earthquake, and benefits all Oakland residents when they are faced with an emergency.

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**ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Staff recommends that City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Administrator, or her designee, to: authorizing the City Administrator, or her designee to apply For, accept and appropriate State of California Fire and Rescue Training Authority (CFRTA) funds to the Oakland Fire Department in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for a scheduled mobilization exercise to meet personnel and supply expenses for the training of the Oakland Fire Department's Urban Search And Rescue (US&R) Team.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Battalion Chief Robert Lipp, at (510) 615-5872.

Respectfully submitted,



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Approved as to Form and Legality

  
Oakland City Attorney's Office

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING AUTHORITY (CFRTA) TO THE OAKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE-HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) FOR A SCHEDULED MOBILIZATION EXERCISE TO MEET PERSONNEL AND SUPPLY EXPENSES FOR THE TRAINING OF THE OAKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT'S URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE (US&R) TEAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Fire Department is the Sponsoring Agency for California Task Force 4 (CA-TF4), an Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Task Force, which includes members of sixteen (16) Local Participating Fire Agencies including: Alameda Fire Department, Alameda County Fire Department, Berkeley Fire Department, Central Fire Authority of Sonoma County, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, Fremont Fire Department, Hayward Fire Department, Livermore Pleasanton Fire Department, Marin County Fire Department, Monterey County Regional Fire District, Moraga-Orinda Fire District, Novato Fire Protection District, Parks Reserve Forces, Salinas Fire Department, San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District, Santa Rosa Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, California Task Force 4 is one of eight (8) California and twenty-eight (28) national US&R teams trained and equipped to respond to natural disasters and weapons of mass destruction (WMD) events; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California Fire and Rescue Training Authority (CFRTA), is the Joint Powers Authority with California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) that oversees training requirements for US&R Teams; and

**WHEREAS**, CFRTA supports all eight (8) California US&R teams with State Joint Powers agreement funds; and

**WHEREAS**, CA-TF4 is eligible to apply for Training Funding for a Mobilization Exercise in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for personnel and supplies costs, to improve our readiness; and

**WHEREAS**, CA-TF4 is available to the City of Oakland in the event of a disaster within the City or surrounding communities; now, therefore, be it:

**RESOLVED:** that the Oakland City Council, hereby authorizes the City Administrator to apply for, accept, and appropriate funds from an agreement with the State of California Fire and Rescue Training Authority for a Mobilization Exercise in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to meet the personnel and supply expenses for the training of the Oakland Fire Department's Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Task Force, as they train to respond to natural disasters or weapons of mass destruction incidents; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** the State of California Other Fund (2159), Special Operation Division Organization (20815), Project (G367630) and Special Operation Program (PS18), in various accounts to be determined, and the revenue received from this grant will be deposited to same fund, organization, project, program and the Miscellaneous Grants Revenue account (46229); and

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That all contracts issued hereunder shall be reviewed and approved by the office of the City Attorney for form and legality and copies shall be placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
LaTonda Simmons  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
of the City of Oakland, California