



AGENDA REPORT

TO: Edward D. Reiskin
City Administrator

FROM: Melinda Drayton
Interim Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2018 Urban Search
and Rescue (US&R) Supplemental
Funding

DATE: May 25, 2020

City Administrator Approval

Date: June 11, 2020

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Amend Resolution No. 87503 C.M.S., Which Among Other Things Authorizes The City Administrator To:

- 1. Enter Into An Agreement To Accept, Appropriate, And Administer Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Urban Search And Rescue (US&R) Grant Funds In An Amount Of Up To One Million Two Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred And Ninety Dollars (\$1,237,990), and**
- 2. Authorize The City Administrator Or His Designee To Accept, Appropriate And Administer Supplemental FY 2018 US&R Grant Funds In The Amount Of Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred And Thirty Three Dollars (\$83,833) To Purchase And / Or Upgrade Safety Equipment For The Urban Search and Rescue Task Force, California Task Force 4, For A Cumulative FY 2018 US&R Grant Award Not To Exceed One Million Three Hundred Twenty One Thousand Eight Hundred And Twenty Three Dollars (\$1,321,823) And Appropriate Said Funds To The US&R Task Force.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On January 22, 2019, City Council adopted Resolution No. 87503 C.M.S. authorizing the City Administrator, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to accept up to one million two hundred thirty seven thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars (\$1,237,990) in fiscal year (FY) 2018 Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) grant funds (**Attachment A**).

Staff is requesting an amendment of Resolution No. 87503 C.M.S. to accept and appropriate supplemental grant funds in an amount of \$83,833 to purchase and / or

upgrade safety equipment for the Urban Search and Rescue Task Force, California Task Force 4.

Approval of the proposed resolution will authorize the acceptance and appropriation of supplemental FY 2018 US&R funds, bringing the total grant award to one million three hundred twenty one thousand eight hundred and twenty three dollars (\$1,321,823).

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

On January 22, 2019, City Council adopted Resolution No. 87503 C.M.S. authorizing the City Administrator, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to accept up to one million two hundred thirty seven thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars (\$1,237,990) in FY 2018 US&R grant funds for the September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2021 performance period.

On September 30, 2019, the City of Oakland received a Program Directive (**Attachment B**) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) notifying the City that it had been awarded supplemental FY 2018 funding in the amount of Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred And Thirty Three Dollars (\$83,833). Adoption of the amended resolution will enable the City to accept, appropriate and administer the supplemental funding.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

The City of Oakland is the Sponsoring Agency for 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 US&R Task Forces with improved capabilities in water operations and in rescues conducted in areas contaminated with hazardous waste and materials.

This grant will continue to have a positive impact for the City of Oakland and the region. The members of the Task Force are members of the Oakland Fire Department and other participating fire agencies, and they receive training for response to man-made and natural disasters. The training provides knowledge, skills, and abilities to a network of local first responders so they can perform search and rescue operations, victim extrication, and patient treatment to reduce loss of life as the result of emergency incidents in the City and region. In addition, the fire service has learned that the sharing

of services and resources is the most fiscally responsible path and participating in the US&R system is but one example of this in action.

Staff recommends that the City Council amend Resolution No. 87503 C.M.S. to accept FY 2018 US&R supplemental grant funding in an amount not to exceed eighty three thousand eight hundred and thirty three dollars (\$83,833) which will make the cumulative FY 2018 US&R grant award allocation one million three hundred twenty one thousand eight hundred and twenty three dollars (\$1,321,823).

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of the proposed resolution will authorize the acceptance and appropriation of supplemental FY2018 US&R funds, bringing the total grant award to one million three hundred twenty one thousand eight hundred and twenty three dollars (\$1,321,823).

1. AMOUNT OF RECOMMENDATION/PROJECT COST:

Grant Amount: \$1,321,823

Performance Period: September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2021

COST ELEMENTS OF AGREEMENT/CONTRACT:

Cost Category	Description	Amount
Administration and Management	Management of office and staff salaries	\$666,465
Storage and Maintenance	Lease and maintenance of warehouse space	\$361,112
Equipment	Tools, supplies and equipment as required by FEMA	\$199,079.00
Training	Continuing and new education to maintain readiness of staff and responders	\$95,167
Total		\$1,321,823

The FEMA US&R Task Force preparedness cooperative agreement grant, including supplemental funding, is in the amount of one million three hundred and twenty one thousand eight hundred and twenty three dollars (\$1,321,823) for staff, facility lease and maintenance, disaster response and preparedness training, personnel and equipment.

Funds from the supplemental grants shall be deposited into the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Fund (2124), Special Operation Division (20815), Special Operation Program (PS18), in various projects, awards and accounts:

Project Name	Project	Organization	Task	Award	Account	Amount
2018 US&R Grant	100388 7	20521/ or 20815	2124.PS1 8	23293		\$1,237,990
2018 US&R Supplemental Grant	100510 6	20815	2124.PS1 8	23689		\$83,833
Total						\$1,321,823

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

No outreach was deemed necessary for the proposed policy action beyond the standard City Council agenda noticing procedures.

COORDINATION

The Office of the City Attorney and the Budget Bureau were consulted in the preparation of this report and resolution.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: Acceptance of this grant will allow for the rental of warehouse space and the purchase and maintenance of equipment, which will contribute to the local economy. There are four and one-tenth (4.1) full-time equivalent positions in the City of Oakland paid through this grant.

Environmental: There are no environmental opportunities associated with this report.


Race & Equity: The FEMA US&R Cooperative Agreement provides the City of Oakland Fire Department with access to training and equipment needed 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 the people of Oakland.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council amend resolution 87503 No. C.M.S. which among other things authorizes the City Administrator, or his designee, to enter into an agreement to accept, appropriate, and administer fiscal year (FY) 2018 Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Grant funds in an amount of up to one million two hundred thirty seven thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars (\$1,237,990), to authorize the City Administrator or his designee to accept, appropriate and administer supplemental FY 2018 US&R Grant funds in the amount of eighty three thousand eight hundred and thirty three dollars (\$83,833), for a cumulative FY 2018 US&R Grant award not to exceed one million three hundred twenty one thousand eight hundred and twenty three dollars (\$1,321,823) and appropriate said funds to the US&R Task Force.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Robert Lipp, Battalion Chief, at (510) 238-2364.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments (2):

- A. Adopted Resolution No. 87503 C.M.S.
- B. US&R Cooperative Agreement Program Directive