

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, City Manager

DATE: May 20, 2014

TITLE: Motion Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application to the United States

Department of Homeland Security's 2014 Port Security Grant Program -

\$305,306

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the United States Department of Homeland Security Justice for the FY 2014 Port Security Grant Program.

Background

The Port Security Program (PSGP) supports increased port-wide risk management; enhanced maritime domain awareness, training and exercises; expanded port recovery and resiliency capabilities; enhanced cyber security capabilities; and furtherance of prevention, detection, response and recovery capabilities in attacks involving improvised explosive devices and other non-conventional weapons. The Police Department's proposed project under the FY 2014 (PSGP) involves the purchase of two (2) police boats and two (2) radiation detectors for use during daily patrols and special events in Port Everglades and the City of Fort Lauderdale. The proposed vessels and equipment will dramatically increase the Department's ability to protect Port Everglades and the City from suspicious vessels in the area, and improve our ability to detect and locate potential radiation sources. As a Port Security Grant Program request, the proposed vessels and equipment will primarily be used in and around Port Everglades to assist in port operations and to support other waterborne members of the Regional Domestic Security Task Force.

The program also requires a 25% cash or in-kind match for public sector applicants where the total award exceeds \$25,000.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact during FY 2014. In FY 2015 there is an anticipated positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$228,979. Full implementation of the grant will also require that \$76,327 in matching funds be included in the FY 2015 budget in Fund 001, Sub-fund 01, Index FD001, Subobject 9129.

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Strategic Connections

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Crime Reduction Strategy and Action Plan.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 10: Be a City well-prepared for and responsive to all hazards.
- Objective 1: Provide and effectively communicate comprehensive emergency management planning and disaster recovery.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community

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