



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**City Commission Agenda Memo**  
**Regular Agenda**

**#15-1228**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** October 6, 2015

**TITLE:** Motion Approving the Acceptance of a Grant from the United States  
Department of Homeland Security, Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Port Security  
Grant Program in the amount of \$874,312 for a Fire-Rescue Boat and a  
Marine Patrol Boat.

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that City Commission approve a motion authorizing the Chief of Police to accept a grant from the United States Department of Homeland Security – FY15 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP); and to authorize the City Manager and /or the Chief of Police to execute any documents required to accept funds between the United States Department of Homeland Security and the City of Fort Lauderdale

**Background**

In May 2015, the City submitted a proposal to the Department of Homeland Security, Port Security Grant Program which included the purchase of two (2) Public Safety Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) Marine Vessels to enhance both Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Marine Unit and Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue Department's ability to protect our local waterways and Port Everglades.

In July 2015, the Public Safety Departments were notified that their proposal for two (2) Public Safety CBRNE Marine Vessels was approved.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department's (FLPD) Marine Unit requested a 28' radiation detection equipped vessel which would be used to enhance marine domain awareness and support maritime security training and exercises. The vessel will improve our contribution to the Regional Domestic Security Taskforce as it will be utilized to enforce the port security zone, thereby protecting high value assets in around Port Everglades. Additionally, the vessel will also aid in conducting diving operations to search the hulls of suspicious ships entering the Port, which FLPD does in conjunction with the Investigations Division of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue (FLFR) is the only fire rescue agency in Broward County that has a fireboat. Our current fireboat is a FY2004, 27' McKee Craft Fireboat. The existing vessel is unreliable; its maintenance needs are extreme, and not CNRNE capable. Due to the "manufactured" layout of the boat, maneuverability of the vessel is extremely poor and prohibits adequate storage of equipment.

FLFR is seeking to purchase a 40' fire rescue rapid response watercraft, to provide increased emergency response and prevention capability, which includes, but not limited to: CBRNE response activities, heavy firefighting suppression, emergency medical services, specialty team support, detection, prevention, electronics, navigation, communications, command platform and other heavy support equipment.

Both vessels shall be United States Coast Guard (USCG) approved and certified by the National Marine Manufacturer's Association to meet all state and federal regulations.

The City of Fort Lauderdale has received \$874,312 from US Department of Homeland Security/Port Security Grant Program with a \$291,437 (25% local cash match).

### **Resource Impact**

The total project cost is \$1,165,749. There is a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$874,312 and a required 25% local cash match in the amount of \$291,437. Funds for the cash match are budgeted in the General Fund FD-001-9129. Funds are being appropriated through CAM # 15-1165.

#### **Appropriate To:**

*Funds available as of October 1, 2015*

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
129-GPORTSEC17- C594	FY2015 DHS/Port Security Grant Program	Federal Grants/US Dept of Homeland Security	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 874,312
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 874,312</b>

#### **Appropriate To:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
129-GPORTSEC17- 6416	FY2015 DHS/Port Security Grant Program	Capital Outlay/Vehicles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 874,312
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 874,312</b>

#### **Appropriate From: (Cash Match)**

*Funds available as of October 1, 2015*

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
331-P12165.331-6416	Fire and Police Boat Replacement	Capital Outlay/Vehicles	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 291,437
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 291,437</b>

#### **Transfer:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
331-FD331-9129	General Capital Projects	Other Uses/General Fund	\$ 1,731,406	\$ 1,731,406	\$ 291,437
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 291,437</b>

**Appropriate To:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
129-GPORTSEC17- Q331	FY2015 DHS/Port Security Grant Program	Operating Transfer/General Capital Projects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 291,437
APPROPRIATION TOTAL →					\$ 291,437

**Appropriate To:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	AMOUNT
129-GPORTSEC17- 6416	FY2015 DHS/Port Security Grant Program	Capital Outlay/Vehicles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 291,437
APPROPRIATION TOTAL →					\$ 291,437

**Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- *Objective 2:* Provide quick and exceptional fire, medical, and emergency response.
- 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 Ready*.

Related CAM: #15-1165

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Grant Award Package

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