



Staff Report

File #: 22-0742

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

DATE: 09/21/2022

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT:

Resolution designating authority to act on behalf of the City for purposes of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This staff report asks the City Council to adopt a Resolution designating authorized agents who are authorized to act on behalf of the City for the purpose of applying for and receiving federal financial assistance provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and sub-granted through the State of California, County of Riverside, and City of Riverside. This is a requirement of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services. The Resolution will allow the City to continue to participate in and accept funding from the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), and Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) for the grant performance periods of FY 2023, FY 2024 and FY 2025.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2022-116 designating and authorizing the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Police Chief, Police Captain and Emergency Services Manager to execute applications and documents for the purposes of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California, County of Riverside, and City of Riverside.

BACKGROUND & HISTORY:

The DHS program grants provide funding to assist states and local governments in enhancing and sustaining emergency management capabilities in preparing for all hazards. The sub-grants are administered through the California Office of Emergency Services in cooperation with the County of Riverside and the City of Riverside. The City of Corona has applied for and received federal funding on an annual basis. The authorized agent designation is valid for a three-year term. Prior Resolution No. 2021-034 designated the authorized agents for the grant performance periods of FY 2020, FY

2021, and FY 2022. The renewal of the authorized agent designation will allow the City to continue to request federal funding.

ANALYSIS:

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requires that the Corona City Council adopt a resolution designating authorized agents who are authorized to act on behalf of the City for the purpose of applying for and receiving federal financial assistance provided by the DHS and sub-granted through the State of California, County of Riverside, and City of Riverside.

Adoption of the proposed Resolution will allow the City of Corona to continue to participate in and accept funding from the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), and Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) for the grant performance periods of FY 2023, FY 2024 and FY 2025.

City Council adoption of Resolution No. 2022-116 designates the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Police Chief, Police Captain, and Emergency Services Manager as Authorized Agents for this purpose.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this item. The acceptance of federal financial assistance will be approved by City Council upon award.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This action is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the commonsense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. This action merely designates authority for purposes of obtaining federal financial assistance, and there is no possibility that this project will have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, no environmental analysis is required.

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REVIEWED BY: BRIAN YOUNG, FIRE CHIEF

Attachments:

1. Exhibit 1 - Resolution No. 2021-034