

CITY COUNCIL REPORT



Meeting Date: October 24, 2023
 General Plan Element: **Public Services & Facilities**
 General Plan Goal: **Provide a safe environment for all citizens, visitors and private interests.**

ACTION

Adopt Resolution No.12955 authorizing:

1. Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2023/24 Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDHS) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant funds in the amount of \$42,400.
2. Chief Shannon or designee to conduct all negotiations and to execute and submit all documents and other necessary or desirable instruments in connection with the acceptance of an Arizona Department of Homeland Security grant; and
3. A budget transfer of up to \$42,400 from the adopted FY 2023/24 Future Grants Budget and/or Grant Contingency to a newly created cost center to record the related grant activity.

BACKGROUND

The City of Scottsdale has sought to enhance its emergency-management and homeland-security capabilities through the attainment of a number of critical federal grants.

The UASI program addresses the unique planning, organizational, equipment, training, and exercise needs of high-threat, high-density, urban areas, and assists these areas in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. Scottsdale has been a recipient of this type of grant since FY 2006/07 related to the City's response to Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) incidents and terrorism prevention efforts.

The Phoenix metropolitan area has potential vulnerabilities to both natural, or man-made disasters and terrorism in the urban area with possible impacts to surrounding cities. Thus, to be effective, the ability to prevent, detect and manage both crisis (threats and prevention) and consequences (event impacts) should be highly prioritized in Scottsdale.

CBRNE response personnel are trained in the use of specialized equipment, techniques, and personal protective equipment in order to safely enter hazardous environments and mitigate hazardous situations.

UASI grant #200820-01 in the amount of \$42,400 will cover the cost of Advanced Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue Technician (TRT) certification training and equipment.

Action Taken Approved on Consent

ANALYSIS & ASSESSMENT

The training and equipment for CBRNE and TRT response personnel will enhance and help sustain response capabilities for the City of Scottsdale and Phoenix metropolitan area.

The CBRNE grant will provide increased capabilities in safety and emergency preparedness of Scottsdale and surrounding communities.

Significant Issues to be Addressed

None

RESOURCE IMPACTS

Available funding

There are no matching fund requirements associated with this grant and all spending related to this grant is reimbursed through the AZDHS and FEMA.

Staffing, Workload Impact

No additional staffing required.

Cost Recovery Options

There are no additional cost recovery opportunities.

Future Budget Impacts

The required training for the Hazardous Materials Technicians and Technical Rescue team members has been funded solely by grant funding since FY 2006/07. If the grant funding subsides and/or did not exist, the department would need to seek alternate ways of funding future training opportunities.

OPTIONS & STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Approach

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RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT(S)

Fire Department

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No. 12955

RESOLUTION NO. 12955

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING, THE ACCEPTANCE OF A FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (AZDHS) AND FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,400.

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale applied for and received a FY 2023/24 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant funds in the total amount of \$42,400; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant, will enhance the City's ability to ensure the cost of Advanced Hazardous Materials (HM) and Technical Rescue Technician (TRT) certifications, in addition to equipment needed for the Scottsdale Fire Department's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. Authorize acceptance of the FY 2023/24 Arizona Department of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency Urban Area Security Initiative grant funds in the amount of \$42,400.

Section 2. Authorize the Fire Chief or his designees, to conduct all negotiations and to execute and submit all documents and other necessary or desirable instruments in connection with the acceptance of the FY 2023/24 Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDHS) grant.

Section 3. Authorize a budget transfer of up to \$42,400 from the adopted FY 2023/24 Future Grants Budget and/or Grant Contingency to a newly created cost center within the Fire Department's operating budget to record the related grant activity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Scottsdale this ____ day of October, 2023.

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, an Arizona
municipal corporation

ATTEST:

Ben Lane, City Clerk

David D. Ortega, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sherry R. Scott, City Attorney

By: Luis E. Santaella, Deputy City Attorney