

Monday, August 30, 2004

Honorable Mayor and Members of
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular meeting of
September 14, 2004

**REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR
A HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT**

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council:

1. Appropriate \$34,103.59 for a grant awarded to the City of Hermosa Beach by the 2004 Homeland Security Grant Program (Grant #2004-45, OES ID #037-00000).
2. Authorize a revenue amount of \$34,103.59 for reimbursed expenditures associated with this grant.

BACKGROUND:

On July 1, 2004 the City of Hermosa Beach was awarded a grant to be used by the Police, Fire, and Public Works Department in the amount of \$34,103.59 through the 2004 Homeland Security Grant Program.

ANALYSIS:

The purpose of the grant funds is to increase the city's capabilities to respond to major incidents such as terrorist attacks, airplane crashes, natural disasters, and chemical leaks. The funds will be spent on purchasing equipment associated with our response capabilities. This is the type of grant program where the City will pay for the costs up front and seek reimbursement through the grant.

The police and fire departments will purchase equipment to go in the new watch commander vehicle, which is a mobile command post. Other equipment purchased will be portable radios and accessories such as batteries and chargers, identification vests for the command post to identify personnel at the scene, a portable tent, bull horn, low light infra-red video camera, and mobile computers for the watch commander's vehicle and assistant fire chief's vehicle. Public Works will purchase barricades and cones.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Under the terms of this Homeland Security grant, the City pays out the initial costs of the items outlined in the grant. The City is then reimbursed for these expenditures.

Respectfully submitted:

Concur:

Michael Lavin
Chief of Police

Stephen Burrell
City Manager

Fiscal Impact:

Viki Copeland
Finance Director