

## MEMORANDUM

February 6, 2014

**TO:** MEMBERS, PORT COMMISSION  
Hon. Leslie Katz, President  
Hon. Willie Adams, Vice President  
Hon. Kimberly Brandon  
Hon. Mel Murphy  
Hon. Doreen Woo Ho

**FROM:** Monique Moyer  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** Request authorization, subject to Board of Supervisors' approval, to accept and expend \$698,625 in 2013 Infrastructure Protection Program Port Security Grant Program funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for security improvements at the Port of San Francisco

**DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Attached Resolution

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### **Funding Overview**

On August 23, 2013, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), an agency within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), announced grant allocations for the 2013 Infrastructure Protection Program Port Security Grant Program, effectively beginning the application process for 2013 Preparedness Grants.

The Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) provides grant funding to port areas for the protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism. PSGP funds are primarily intended to assist ports in enhancing risk management capabilities, increasing domain awareness and improving capabilities for prevention, detection, response and recovery from attacks involving improvised explosive devices and other nonconventional weapons.

For the first time since 2007, the Port received direct grant funding from FEMA after competing in a national application process. Previously, FEMA utilized a program under which a Fiduciary Agent acted as the single entity to apply for and accept funding on behalf of the port stakeholders in each of the nation's high threat port regions, then distribute the funds to eligible entities through a regionally competitive process. Lynn Korwatch, Executive Director of the Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Bay Region, acted as the Fiduciary Agent for the ports of San Francisco, Oakland, Richmond and Stockton, as well as other local port stakeholders.

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On June 11, 2013, the Port submitted its grant application to FEMA for consideration. As in past years, the San Francisco Bay region's Port-Wide Risk Management/Mitigation and Business Continuity/Resumption of Trade Plan (Plan) was used by the region's applicants to demonstrate how their applications aligned with the region's security goals. A committee made up of representatives from the region's four major ports and from each port stakeholder community evaluated the applications and provided input to the local U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port, who then forwarded the applications, with his recommendations, to FEMA. FEMA notified the Port of their \$698,625 award on September 18, 2013.

In this round, FEMA required a twenty-five percent (25%) cash or 'in kind' match for approved projects submitted by eligible entities.

The grant performance period is a maximum of twenty-four months, plus the possibility of thirty-six additional months of extensions. At this time, 2013 PSGP-funded projects must be completed by May 31, 2015. FEMA has not yet completed their Environmental and Historical Preservation (EHP) review, which is required prior to Port staff initiating a PSGP-funded project. FEMA's Environmental and Historical Preservation (EHP) review, which ensures compliance with federal environmental laws and is required prior to Port staff initiating a PSGP-funded project, pends completion. Port staff will meet the current grant performance period as long as FEMA completes their EHP review by July 1, 2014. Delays by FEMA in completing the EHP review will necessitate Port staff requesting grant extensions from FEMA.

### **The Port's Grant Applications and Awards**

The Port was awarded the following funding through the 2013 Port Security Grant Program:

- **\$186,750 for an All-Hazards Training Series and Exercise:** this planned investment will provide tailored, position-specific all-hazard response training to Port staff, and culminate in a full-scale Port-specific disaster recovery exercise. Port staff anticipates holding the trainings throughout 2014 and hosting the exercise in the first quarter of 2015.
- **\$511,875 in High Security Fencing:** this planned investment will address security concerns and requirements at piers and other Port properties on or adjacent to regulated maritime facilities. The Port will execute additional contracts, approved by the Port Commission, to purchase and install the fencing.

### **Requested Port Commission Action**

Port staff seek Port Commission authorization for the Executive Director to accept and expend \$698,625 in 2013 Infrastructure Protection Program Port Security Grant Program funds from the Department of Homeland Security for security improvements on the Port of San Francisco. Upon the Port Commission's approval, Port staff will seek Board of Supervisor's approval to accept and expend the 2013 PSGP grant funds.

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**PORT COMMISSION  
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-05**

- WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Infrastructure Protection Program's Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) provides grant funding to port areas for the protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism; and the PSGP funds are primarily intended to assist ports in enhancing risk management capabilities, increasing domain awareness and improving capabilities for prevention, detection, response and recovery from attacks involving improvised explosive devices and other nonconventional weapons; and
- WHEREAS, on June 11, 2013, the Port of San Francisco submitted an application for grant funds under the PSGP; and
- WHEREAS, on September 18, 2013, the Port of San Francisco was awarded \$698,625 in grant funds for security improvements on the Port of San Francisco (the "grant"); now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, that the Port Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Director to seek the Board of Supervisors' approval to accept and expend the grant; and be it further
- RESOLVED, that the Port Commission hereby urges the Board of Supervisors to approve the request for approval to accept and expend the grant; and be it further
- RESOLVED, that the Port Commission, subject to the Board of Supervisors' approval, hereby authorizes the Executive Director or her designee to execute for and on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco, any additional documents necessary to enter into the grant agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency or the Department of Homeland Security, including any extensions, augmentations or amendments thereof.

***I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Port Commission at its meeting of February 11, 2014.***

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Secretary