



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
November 25, 2008

**Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council**

**Title: Grant/Agreement: Participation in California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7),
Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Team**

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution:** authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into Memorandum of Agreements, as the sponsoring agency of a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Search and Rescue team (US&R), California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7), with **1) County of Sacramento – Airport System; 2) Roseville Fire Department; 3) FBA, Inc., 4) City of West Sacramento; 5) Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District; and 6) Greg Richards** for training and potential deployment to disasters per FEMA instruction.

Contact: Ed Vasques, Assistant Chief, 264-7522; Denise Pinkston-Maas, Support Services Manager, 808-1604.

Presenters: N/A

Department: Fire

Division: Fiscal

Organization No: 12001031

Description/Analysis

Issue: The City of Sacramento is the sponsoring agency for California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7), Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Team. Each year the City applies for annual federal funding from the Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS/FEMA) for the operation of CA TF-7.

CA F-7 is comprised of members of the City of Sacramento Fire Department, as well as other participating agencies and affiliated individuals such as County of Sacramento – Airport System, Roseville Fire Department, City of West Sacramento, Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, and FBA, Inc.; and affiliated personnel such as Greg Richards.

This report is recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into Memorandum of Agreements with these agencies and affiliated individuals for the purposes of member participation in task force activities such as, but not limited to, training and potential deployment to disasters per FEMA direction.

Policy Considerations: Authorizing the acceptance of these Memorandums of Agreement for participating agencies, and affiliated individuals, is consistent with prior council decisions supporting participating in local, statewide and national disaster assistance programs.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): Ongoing administrative maintenance activities, such as purchases of supplies, equipment or materials which are not made for purposes of a public construction project, do not constitute a "project" and are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(1), 15378(b)(3).

Sustainability Considerations: There are no sustainability considerations applicable to the approval of these Memorandums of Agreements for the participation of agencies, and affiliated individuals, for the purposes of member participation in DHS/FEMA US&R task force activities.

Commission/Committee Action: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: The City of Sacramento Fire Department is the sponsoring agency for the CA TF-7 US&R Team. The team currently includes the following participating agencies: Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, West Sacramento Fire Department, and the El Dorado County Fire Protection District. This report recommends the approval of new Memorandums of Agreement for existing participants and new additional participants.

The City of Sacramento Fire Department, representing the City as the sponsoring agency, is responsible for organizing, equipping, and maintaining the specialized equipment cache, training task force personnel, and mobilizing the team upon activation, therefore, we are requesting authorization for the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the recommended Memorandum of Agreements with these participating agencies and affiliated personnel: County of Sacramento – Airport System, Roseville Fire Department, City of West Sacramento, and Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, FBA, Inc., and Greg Richards. (The MOA agreements are available for review on the City's website and are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.)

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Financial Considerations: This report does not require any new funding from FEMA or the City's General Fund. As the sponsoring agency, the City Of Sacramento incurs operational and deployment costs related to the CA TF-7 US&R team. Costs associated with these MOAs are reimbursable by DHS/FEMA through an annual operational grant (Fund 2702). Additionally, DHS/FEMA reimburses expenses directly related to the activation of the team, for each event they are deployed, through Assistant Award/Amendment contracts (Fund 2702).

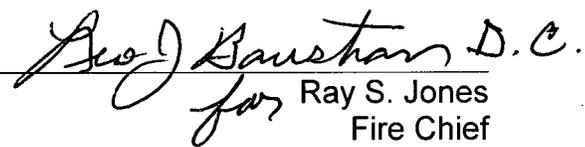
Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): These agreements do not include the procurement of goods or services.

Respectfully Submitted by: _____



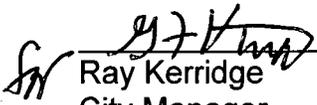
for Denise Pinkston-Maas
Fiscal Support Manager

Approved by: _____



for Ray S. Jones
Fire Chief

Recommendation Approved:



Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

November 25, 2008

GRANT: APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENTS (MOAs) FOR PARTICIPATION IN CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE SEVEN (CA TF-7), URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE (US&R) TEAM

BACKGROUND

- A. The City of Sacramento Fire Department has been the sponsoring agency for CA TF-7, US&R team since the inception of the Federal Urban Search & Rescue program in the early 1990's. CA TF-7 has responded for emergency assistance to the bombing of the Federal Murrah building in Oklahoma City, the terrorist attack of the World Trade Center in New York, to the Gulf Coast in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and various other events.
- B. Each year the City of Sacramento Fire Department, as the sponsoring agency, must submit an application for annual funding to receive monies to support the administrative requirements, training, equipment maintenance and/or purchases in order to ensure Task Force readiness.
- C. The Urban Search & Rescue Team, sponsored by the City of Sacramento, consists of personnel from the City of Sacramento Fire Department and other participating agencies. The Sacramento Fire Department, representing the City as the sponsoring agency, is responsible for maintaining adequate personnel on the US&R team. Other agencies and individuals are essential to accomplishing the task force goals including maintaining the specialized equipment cache, training task force personnel, and mobilizing the team upon activation.
- D. Memorandum of Agreements with County of Sacramento – Airport System, Roseville Fire Department, FBA, Inc., City of West Sacramento, Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, and Greg Richards have been in process with FEMA for several months. The last update of CA TF-7's Memorandum of Agreement with participating agencies was in 1992.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with County of Sacramento – Airport System.

- Section 2. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with Roseville Fire Department.
- Section 3. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with FBA, Inc.
- Section 4. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with City of West Sacramento.
- Section 5. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District.
- Section 6. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement Greg Richards.

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- EXHIBIT A** Listing of documents available for review on the City's website and on file with the City Clerk's Office.

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Listing of documents available for review on the City's website and on file with the City Clerk's Office:

- Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Sacramento (Sacramento Fire Department) as the Sponsoring Agency of the California Task Force Seven of the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System and County of Sacramento (Airport System) as a Participating Agency of the Task Force.
- Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Sacramento (Sacramento Fire Department) as the Sponsoring Agency of the California Task Force Seven of the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System and Roseville Fire Department as a Participating Agency of the Task Force.
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- Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Sacramento (Sacramento Fire Department) as the Sponsoring Agency of the California Task Force Seven of the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System and Greg Richards as an individual serving as affiliated personnel on the Task Force.