REPORT TO COUNCIL
City of Sacramento

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Consent
September 11, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Agreement: Federal Funding for Response to Kansas Tornadoes

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept federal funding for expenses in the amount of $36,000 for the deployment of members of the California Task Force-7, Urban Search and Rescue Team for the Kansas Tornadoes.

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

Presenters: N/A

Department: Fire

Division: Special Operations

Organization No: 2553

Description/ Analysis

Issue: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding to federal Urban Search and Rescue Teams when deployed to disasters and national security events. On May 7, 2007, two (2) members of California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7) were activated by FEMA as Incident Support Team (IST) members for response to the Kansas Tornadoes. An award amendment has been issued by FEMA to obligate the funds to provide reimbursement to sponsoring agencies. The award amendment EMW-2003-CA-0104 M040 provides funding to cover the costs associated with the deployment of the team. The amendment must be signed and returned to FEMA so that the funds will be obligated for reimbursement to the City of Sacramento.

Policy Considerations: Acceptance of the federal US&R funds is consistent with City Council actions relative to state and federal grant awards.

Environmental Considerations: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: Acceptance of the FEMA grant award will reimburse the City for the costs incurred by CA TF-7 during activation.

Committee/Commission Action: None.

Financial Considerations:

As the sponsoring agency, the City of Sacramento incurs costs related to the activation of CA TF-7 US&R team. FEMA reimburses expenses directly related to the activation of the team. This agreement allows FEMA to obligate the funds for payment to the City of Sacramento Fire Department.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):

No goods or services are being procured as a result of this report.

Respectfully Submitted by: Denise K. Pinkston-Maas

Approved by: F. Adams
Forrest Adams
Fire Chief

Recommendation Approved:

for Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Attachment 1

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

September 11, 2007

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE SEVEN (CA TF-7), URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE (US&R) TEAM RESPONSE TO KANSAS TORNADOES

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 US&R program in the early 1990s. 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, and to the Gulf Coast in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

B. Individual members of CA TF-7 US&R team are activated as part of an Incident Support Team (IST) to provide overhead support to natural disasters and national security events.

C. On May 7, 2007, two (2) members of CA TF-7 were activated by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as Incident Support Team (IST) members for response to the Kansas Tornadoes.

D. To receive reimbursement for costs associated with the deployment of personnel to the Kansas Tornadoes, the City must adopt a resolution granting signature authority for the City Manager to sign the FEMA Assistance Award/Amendments M040.

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

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to sign the Federal Emergency Management Agency Assistance Award/Amendments M040 in the amount of $36,000.

Section 2. The Program Revenue Budget (250-0GR-G678) will be 36,000.

Section 3. The Program Operating Budget will be as follows:

A. 250-0GR-G634 (Salary Benefits)	$18,000
B. 250-0GR-G634 (Specialized Services)	$18,000
	$36,000