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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FILE NO. 24-083

TO: Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM:  Kristin M. Crowley, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF CALOES URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE
RESPONSE TRAINING AGREEMENT #A231012273

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| FINAL ACTION: | <input type="checkbox"/> Approved | <input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/Corrections | <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Denied | <input type="checkbox"/> Received & Filed | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

SUMMARY

The Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) has provided ongoing support of the Los Angeles City Fire Department (LAFD) through funding and training for the Agencies supporting the Regional Task Force Teams. At this time CalOES has extended an opportunity to provide funding to the LAFD for Urban Search and Rescue response training required by CalOES.

On April 17, 2024, Standard Agreement # A231012273 was executed between the LAFD and CalOES to provide funding for US&R response training. In support of the training, CalOES has forwarded Standard Agreement # A231012273 in the amount of \$169,950.00 to the LAFD. The funding will reimburse the LAFD for training, development, and evaluation, including facility rental fees, equipment rental fees, consumables, travel expenses, instructor fees, backfill, overtime, and administration fees. The period of performance for the Agreement shall be from January 1, 2024, or upon approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2025, with the option to extend for one additional twelve month periods at the original rates evaluated and considered.

This funding will allow for current and future US&R certified members to attend certified training for Regional Task Force Leader, Regional Technical Search Specialist, Plans Team Training, Heavy Equipment Rigging Specialist, and Safety Officer. The funding will also allow for members to attend certified training courses such as Rope Rescue Awareness/Operations, Structural Collapse Specialist 1 and 2, Confined Space Rescue Operations/Technician, Trench Rescue Technician, Rope Rescue Technician and Machinery Rescue Technician/Heavy Vehicle Rescue Technician.

In addition to the total amount authorized under Standard Agreement for the US&R Training, CalOES will be responsible for payment under this contract up to \$169,950.00, pursuant to the reimbursement process established by CalOES. The City must advance payments, and then obtain reimbursement from CalOES.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact on the General Fund in FY23/24. The LAFD will cover the expenditures up to \$169,950.00 through the LAFD General Fund 100, Department 38, Account 006020 (Operating Supplies), Account 001012 (Salaries Sworn), Account 001098 (Variable Staffing). CalOES will reimburse the LAFD a total up to \$89,610.00 (100%).

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

1. Approve and transmit the report to the Mayor and the Office of the City Administrative Officer for Committee and City Council consideration.

It is also recommended the Board request that the Mayor and City Council:

2. Accept the Standard Agreement in the amount of \$169,950.00 for the performance period of January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 as granted by CalOES, and authorize the Fire Chief, or designee, to execute any documents or agreements necessary to accept the agreement on the City's behalf.
3. Authorize the Fire Department to deposit the Standard Agreement funds received into Fund 335, Department 38, Account to be determined.
4. Authorize the Fire Department to expend funds up to \$169,950.00 from LAFD General Fund 100, Department 38, Account 6020 Operating Expense for consumables, travel expenses and student certification fees; in accordance with the CalOES US&R Training, for the performance period granted by CalOES; and authorize the Fire Chief or designee, to execute any documents necessary to accept the award on the City's behalf.
5. Authorize the Controller, for reimbursement purposes, to transfer the Standard Agreement funds from Fund 335, Department 38, Account to be determined, to various Fund 100, Department 38 salary accounts: Account 001012 (Salaries Sworn), and Account 001098 (Variable Staffing), upon submission of proper documentation by the Fire Department of direct staff costs incurred during the agreement performance period.
6. Authorize the Fire Department to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and instruct the Controller to implement the instructions.

Board report prepared by Victoria Rodriguez, Management Analyst, Emergency Operations Bureau.