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2021 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) EMW-2021-PU-00389-S01 award package

Action Statement:

The Key West Police Department (KWPD) is seeking Commission authorization to accept the attached award package for Grant No. EMW-2021-PU-00389-S01 from the 2021 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) funded by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) / Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with a Federal award amount of \$165,000 for two boat lifts for Police and Fire located across the street from both stations on N. Roosevelt Blvd. and boat refurbishment of KWPD's 21-year-old 27-foot Safeboat.

Background:

Key West is included as a port of call on international cruises increasing its vulnerability as a hub for transit, as well as a final destination. Ferries are more vulnerable to improvised explosive device (IED) because their hulls are less robust than cruise ships. The Key West Police and Fire Departments take Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) and IED threats seriously. In May 2021, the KWPD submitted a PSGP grant application to request funding for two boat lifts and boat refurbishment in the amount of \$220,000.00 (\$165,000.00 Federal share, \$55,000.00 City match).

Purpose and Justification:

Access to the Police and Fire boats is critical to adequately prevent, detect, respond to, and recover from IED and CBRNE incidents. The boat lifts will allow both the Fire and Police departments to access their boats and operate them on water more quickly and efficiently, improving their response rate to threats. Also critical is having a boat that is suitable with warrantied functionality that allows KWPD to remain in compliance with the requirements set forth by the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA)/US Coast Guard as outlined in their Facility Security Plan. A refurbished boat ensures KWPD meets the minimum requirement of having three (3) fully functional, modern law enforcement boats by extending usable life by another decade.



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Financial Impact:

Grant revenue of \$165,000.00 will be budgeted in Account 0010000 3312000 (General Fund/Revenue/Public Safety) in FY 2021-2022. Expenses, based on the anticipated project cost of \$220,000.00 (which includes the City's 25% match of \$55,000.00), will be budgeted in Account 0012104 5216400 (General Fund/Law Enforcement Grants/Machinery & Equipment).

Recommendation:

We recommend the City Commission authorize the acceptance of the grant award package.

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