



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

January 21, 2026

Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk
Room 395, City Hall

Re: Fiscal Year 2023 Urban Areas Security Initiative (Council File No. 23-0690) and Fiscal Year 2024 Urban Areas Security Initiative Contracting Authorities (Council File No. 24-0975)

Dear Honorable Members:

Transmitted herewith for City Council consideration are proposed contracting authorities and budget modifications related to the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Fiscal Year 2023 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY23 UASI) and Fiscal Year 2024 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY24 UASI) grant awards. On July 2, 2024, the City Council accepted the FY23 UASI grant in the amount of \$53,932,030 with a grant performance period from September 1, 2023 to May 31, 2026 (Council File No. 23-0690). On June 27, 2025, the City Council accepted the FY24 UASI grant in the amount of \$49,119,978 with a grant performance period from September 1, 2024 to May 31, 2027 (Council File No. 24-0975). The recommendations outlined in this report are necessary in order to continue previously approved grant-funded projects through the end of the grant performance period.

UASI 23 (Council File No. 23-0690)

Los Angeles Police Department

Piper Tech Video Management System

In FY23 UASI, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) received an allocation of \$400,000 for costs for the Piper Tech Video Management System. The C. Erwin Piper Technical Center commonly known as "Piper Tech", is operated by various LAPD units. Piper Tech is a high-profile, critical facility that houses key LAPD divisions, including Air, the Technical Investigation Division, and the main City and Police warehouses for emergency equipment and clothing. Due to the sensitive nature of its operations, LAPD is requesting this project, which will repair and enhance the security cameras and support necessary upgrades to the current server, storage, and connectivity infrastructure.

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The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to upgrade the security camera system at C. Erwin Piper Technical Center utilizing \$400,000 in FY23 UASI funding for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

UASI 24 (Council File No. 24-0975)

Los Angeles Police Department

Piper Tech Video Management System

In FY23 UASI, as mentioned above, the LAPD received an allocation of \$400,000 for costs for the Piper Tech Video Management System. LAPD is requesting to continue and complete this project with \$400,000 in FY24 UASI funding.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to further upgrade the security camera system at C. Erwin Piper Technical Center utilizing \$400,000 in FY24 UASI funding for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

LAPD RHD / MCD Technology Modernization Training

In FY24 UASI, the LAPD received an allocation of \$39,900 for costs related to Robbery Homicide Division (RHD) / Major Crimes Division (MCD) Technology Modernization Training. This course will continue the implementation of technology/modernization of LAPD RHD and MCD's intelligence and investigative capabilities. The necessary hardware and software to adequately prepare, plan and react to domestic violent extremism/terrorism, and support the necessary criminal prosecution.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide training in an amount not to exceed \$39,900 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

City of Los Angeles ISSI Connectivity

In FY24 UASI, the LAPD received an allocation of \$333,334 to fund the ISSI Connectivity and configuration of the interoperable connectivity of the Motorola Astro 25 M-core Land Mobile Radio. This system enhances the first responder's ability to communicate during high alert situations. This communication allows for collaborative intelligence during natural disasters, civil unrest, and nation security events. First responders will be able to communicate with partner agencies to coordinate resources and support during high alert incidents. The upgraded infrastructure supports enhanced communications with neighboring agencies for routine patrol activities and urgent real-time situations. Achieving interoperable connectivity and integration to LAPD's radio system remains relevant and imperative.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide interoperable connectivity throughout the LA region in an amount not to exceed \$333,334 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Los Angeles Fire Department

All Hazards Incident Management Team Training (AHIMT) Training

This grant allocation funds the City of Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD)'s All Hazards Incident Management Team Training (AHIMT), including Advanced Incident Command System (ICS) courses and Incident Leadership. This training will enhance first responders' capabilities in responding to threats of terrorism. The LAFD will utilize FY24 UASI funds to cover expenses for contractual services to host AHIMT training. The total estimate for contractual costs will be \$150,000.

The LAFD will choose classes totaling up to \$150,000 from the following list of classes:

L952 NIMS Public Information Officer

L954 NIMS Safety Officer

L956 NIMS Liaison Officer

L958 NIMS Operations Section Chief

L960 NIMS Division Group Supervisor

L962 NIMS Planning Section Chief

L964 NIMS Situation Unit Leader

L965 NIMS Resources Unit Leader

L967 NIMS Logistics Section Chief

L969 NIMS Communications Unit Leader

L970 NIMS Supply Unit Leader

L971 NIMS Facility Unit Leader

L973 NIMS Finance Section Chief

L975 NIMS Finance Admin Unit Leader

O-305 Type 3 All-Hazards Incident Management Team (Type 3 AHIMT)

Emergency Management Department

EOC Security Video Management System (VMS) Modernization

In FY24 UASI, the Emergency Management Department (EMD) received an allocation of \$283,800 for the RYLAN Houses of Worship project and TEEX jurisdictional training and travel. Following an assessment of current project needs, EMD has determined that it is a priority to redirect these allocated funds to support a Surveillance and Video Management System at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Due to the sensitive nature of EOC operations, this project is critical to ensuring the security and continuity of emergency management functions for the City of Los Angeles. The proposed project will replace, repair and enhance existing security cameras and support necessary upgrades to the EOC's server, storage, and network connectivity infrastructure to strengthen surveillance capabilities.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to upgrade the security camera system at the EOC utilizing \$283,800 in FY24 UASI funding for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

Mayor's Office

Cyber Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform

In 2019, the City procured a contractor to design, develop, and implement the Threat Intelligence Sharing Platform (TISP), a cloud-based service that facilitates cyber intelligence sharing. The contract was funded through DHS's FY 2018 Internet Security – Information Sharing and Analysis Organizations (IS-ISA) Grant. Following a competitive evaluation, International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) and its subcontractor TrueStar (now Splunk) were awarded the contract to build and maintain the platform in accordance with City and Information Technology Agency (ITA) requirements.

Since then, the Mayor's Office has continued to support TISP through UASI allocations, recognizing its role in enabling the rapid dissemination of intelligence, including real-time automated cyber threat indicator sharing among state, local, tribal, and territorial cybersecurity partners. For FY 24 UASI, the Mayor's Office has programmed \$100,000 to continue this effort.

The Mayor's Office requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to further maintain the platform, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for a term of up to 12 months within the grant performance period.

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS THEREFORE requested that the City Council:

1. **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to enhance the security at C. Erwin Piper Technical Center in the amount of \$400,000 and a term up to 12 months within the FY23 UASI grant performance period and the amount of \$400,000 for a term of up to 12 months within the FY 24 UASI grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - b. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide RHD / MCD Technology Modernization training in an amount not to exceed \$39,900 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - c. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide interoperable connectivity to the Land Mobile Radio System, in an amount not to exceed \$333,334 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - d. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to provide All Hazards Incident Management Team Training (AHIMT) in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;

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- e. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to enhance the security at Emergency Operations Center in the amount of \$283,800 and a term up to 12 months within the FY24 UASI grant performance period subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - f. Negotiate and execute a contract with a vendor to support the continued operation and maintenance of cybersecurity intelligence sharing services, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and a term up to 12 months within the grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bass". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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