

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a grant award for the Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), or designee, to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award from the FEMA, DHS, sub-awarded through the Cal-OES, for the C-UAS Grant Program in the amount of \$9,770,209 for the period of July 4, 2025 through September 30, 2028, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to review and approval of the City Attorney as to form.
2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:
 - a. Expend up to \$9,770,209 in accordance with the grant award agreement.
 - b. Issue a check to the Cal-OES, in the amount up to \$9,770,209, for the purpose of purchasing grant reimbursable equipment and services from the Defense Logistics Agency of the United States Department of Defense, upon execution of the grant award agreement.
 - c. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the Cal-OES, deposit grant receipts in the LAPD Grant Fund No. 339/70, and repay the loan to the Disaster Assistance Trust Fund No. 872 immediately upon reimbursement of grant expenditures.
 - d. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments as necessary to implement Mayor and Council intentions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Authorize a loan of up to \$9,770,209 from the Disaster Assistance Trust Fund No. 872 and transfer to the LAPD Grant Fund No. 339 to front-fund equipment purchases to be reimbursed by the C-UAS grant.
 - b. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$9,770,209 to appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339/70, for the receipt and disbursement of the C-UAS Grant Program award.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations within the report will have no additional impact to the General Fund. Furthermore, to avoid a Reserve Fund impact, the LAPD will front-fund grant expenditures of up to \$9,770,209 with a loan from the Disaster Assistance Trust Fund. All front-funded amounts are expected to be fully reimbursed by Cal-OES upon submission of eligible expenditure documentation, pending restoration of FEMA reimbursement operations. No matching funds or cost share are required for this grant.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports that the recommendations provided in the report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time grant funding will be utilized for one-time program expenditures.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Public Safety Committee waived consideration of the above matter.)

SUMMARY

At its meeting held on April 13, 2026, your Budget and Finance Committee considered the Board of Police Commissioners report, dated February 24, 2026, and CAO report, dated April 3, 2026, relative to retroactively authorizing the LAPD to apply for and accept a grant award in the amount of \$9,770,209 for the C-UAS Grant Program from the FEMA, DHS, sub-awarded through the Cal-OES, for the performance period of July 4, 2025 through September 30, 2028. The C-UAS Grant Program administered by FEMA was created in response to the emerging threat posed by unmanned systems to public safety, critical infrastructure, and large-scale public gatherings. The LAPD will front-fund the grant expenditures with a loan from the Disaster Assistance Fund, with subsequent reimbursement by FEMA. The Committee and representatives of the LAPD and CAO's Office discussed the status of FEMA's reimbursement through the Cal-OES for the purchase of drone detection equipment, deployment of resources for special events, development of protocols and policies for utilization by other City departments, funding and cost recovery after the end of the three-year performance grant period, and drone detection software capabilities. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved approval of the item, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HUTT:	YES
McOSKER:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	ABSENT

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