

TOWN OF LOS GATOS COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

ITEM NO: 6

DATE:	May 21, 2020
TO:	Mayor and Town Council
FROM:	Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager
SUBJECT:	 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) a. Accept State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) funding and authorize budget adjustments in the amount up to \$102,000 to recognize grant funding from SHSGP.

b. Authorize Town Manager to execute required agreement and grant documents to receive funds in accordance with SHSGP requirements.

RECOMMENDATION:

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BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security provides funding to state and local governments through the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP). SHSGP plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System (NPS) by supporting the building, maintaining, and delivering of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (NPG) of a secure and resilient nation. Delivering core capabilities requires the combined effort of the whole community, rather than the exclusive effort of any single organization or level of government. SHSGP funds support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery mission areas, including building and sustaining law enforcement terrorism prevention capabilities.

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BACKGROUND (continued):

In September of 2018, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department (LGMSPD) partnered with the cities of Milpitas, Morgan Hill, Santa Clara, and Campbell to apply for a SHSGP grant to purchase portable anti-vehicle barriers and bollards.

The Santa Clara County Police Chief's Association (SCCPCA) was the ambassador of this project and its primary sponsor. Each of the above jurisdictions completed a grant application and all the applications were then submitted to the Santa Clara County Office of Emergency Management (County OEM) as one singular regional project. County OEM then submitted the project to California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).

In January of 2020, County OEM was advised by Cal OES the grant was approved and each of the cities was awarded \$102,000 to purchase two portable barriers and five portable bollards (each jurisdiction was required to purchase the same barriers/bollards). These portable barriers and bollards will be shared by all law enforcement agencies in the County of Santa Clara operational area for deployment during public events. With the global increase in terror-related incidents involving vehicle assaults and mass casualties, these portable devices are needed around the County to protect the public at special events.

The purchase of portable barriers allows the LGMSPD and other law enforcement agencies in the County of Santa Clara to share these regional assets to provide defense against vehicle assaults at public gatherings and community events. The LGMSPD will store two portable barriers and five portable bollards and retain the primary use of the devices for Town events. The devices will be made available to the other cities in the County should the need arise for multiple barriers at large events.

The MP5000 portable barrier was selected and is manufactured by Delta Scientific Corporation. The portable barrier can be towed to a site where the restriction of vehicle access is needed. It is self-contained, battery powered, and only requires a single operator to activate the security gate to restrict or allow vehicle access. The ability to lower the security gate allows Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services to respond to an area and provide emergency services while restricting access to all other vehicles.

In addition to the MP5000s, we plan to purchase five TB100 portable bollards that are also manufactured by Delta Scientific Corporation. The portable bollards allow law enforcement to quickly create a barricade system to block vehicular access and can be used in conjunction with the MP5000. Up to five TB100 portable bollards can be linked together with a cable system and be placed on a road's surface to create immediate protection for a span of 20 feet. The TB100s requires no other installation procedures, excavations or sub-surface preparations.

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CONCLUSION:

Approval of this item would allow the LGMSPD staff to accept SHSGP funds to be used in the purchase of portable barrier and bollards for public events. These devices will be a County of Santa Clara County shared regional asset.

FISCAL IMPACT:

With Council approval of the SHSGP funds, a budget adjustment will be made to the General Fund. The budget adjustment will recognize an increase in expenditures in the amount up to \$102,000; this will be offset by grant revenue of an equal amount. The grant will be recorded to FY 2019/20.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.