



Honorable Mayor and Members of the Hermosa Beach City Council

PURCHASE OF PORTABLE BARRIERS AND TRAILER FROM ADVANCED SECURITY TECHNOLOGIES

(Police Chief Landon Phillips)

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends City Council:

1. Appropriate \$44,598 in the Grant Fund for the State Homeland Security Program 2022 Grant Cycle and add estimated revenue of \$44,598 in the Grants Fund; and
2. Authorize the purchase of portable barriers and trailer, through a national purchasing cooperative, in total amount of \$109,534.

Executive Summary:

The City of Hermosa Beach is the recipient of \$109,598 in grant funds from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services State Homeland Security Program (SHSP). The City intends to use the grant funds to provide physical security enhancements for highly populated crowded areas throughout the City during special occasions and major events. Staff recommends authorizing the purchase of a trailer and portable barriers from Advanced Security Technologies through a national buying cooperative.

Background:

The purpose of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) is to address capability targets set in the urban area, state, and regional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessments (THIRAs). These targets inform the planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needed to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events.

CalOES recently restored the 2022 SHSP Grant Cycle which made it available to LA County Cities. The County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors accepted the 2022 SHSP grant and has provided a Sub-recipient Agreement (SRA) to the City of Hermosa Beach for the distribution of \$44,598. The grant funds would be used to enhance the cyber security network of the City and add a layer of physical security for large scale events and mass gatherings.

Last November 2024, City Council approved the 2023 SHSP SRA for another \$65,000 of grant funds to be used to continue enhancing the security of the City.

Past Council Actions

Meeting Date	Description	Votes
November 12, 2024	City Council approved the 2023 State Homeland Security Program Grant Subrecipient Agreement for a total of \$65,000 in grant funds.	All Ayes (5-0) (Francois, Saemann, Detoy, Jackson, Massey)

Discussion:

The Police Department secured grant funding to increase the Department's capability to protect against potential threats during mass gatherings and special events. Staff researched different types of barriers and companies and decided that portable barriers would allow the Department to be flexible and adapt to the various events happening throughout the City. Portable barriers can easily be relocated to meet the needs of each event and can be set up quickly, making them ideal for any ongoing changes or last-minute decisions.

Portable barriers can also serve in other capacities for the Department. During accident sites, these barriers can provide scene security and extra protection to officers working the scene acting as a temporary cover and directing traffic into another direction. Creating perimeters can be done with portable barriers and are integral to maintaining safety and control when necessary. Barriers effectively manage vehicle and pedestrian traffic to coordinate response and safety efforts.

The Department is planning to purchase a 72-unit trailer and 36 portable barriers with the 2022 and 2023 SHSP grant funds (**Attachment 1**). With secured future grant funding, the Department would be able to purchase more barriers to place in this trailer.

Procurement Approach

Staff recommends purchasing the trailer and barriers through a national cooperative purchasing agreement with PEPPM. PEPPM, formerly known as Pennsylvania Education Purchasing Program for Microcomputers, is a program of the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU). CSIU is an educational service agency in Pennsylvania and they focus on bidding for products and services to award shareable purchasing contracts for the benefit of other agencies, including cities outside of Pennsylvania. As a member agency of PEPPM, the City of Hermosa Beach may utilize PEPPM's competitively bid cooperative purchasing agreement to ensure competitive pricing and expedite the procurement process.

On August 26, 2022, PEPPM issued a Request for Proposals that included modular vehicle barrier systems and other branded products. Advanced Security Technologies

was awarded a contract on January 1, 2023, set to expire December 31, 2025 **(Attachment 2)**.

Per Hermosa Beach Municipal Code Section 3.12.140, purchases made through cooperative purchasing agreements, maintained by state, county, or other public agencies, are exempt from formal bidding procedures, allowing the City to expedite the procurement process while ensuring competitive pricing.

Environmental Review:

This agreement has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and as such, is not a “project” subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) 14 Cal. Code Regs Section 15378.

General Plan Consistency:

This report and associated recommendation have been evaluated for their consistency with the City’s General Plan. Relevant Policies are listed below:

Public Safety Element

Goal 3. High quality police and fire protection services provided to residents and visitors.

Policies:

- **5.1 Crime deterrence.** Regularly evaluate the incidence of crime and identify and implement measure to deter crime.
- **5.2 High level of response.** Achieve optimal utilization of allocated public safety resources and provide desired levels of response, staffing, and protection within the community.
- **5.4 Physical design standards.** Reduce opportunities for criminal activity through physical design standards and Crime Prevention through Environmental Design principles.

Fiscal Impact:

Staff would appropriate \$44,598 in the Fund 150 Grants Fund for the 2022 SHSP grant cycle at Account Code 150-2109-4201 and add corresponding estimated revenue of \$44,598 in the FY 2024-25 Budget. This would be in addition to the \$65,000 from the 2023 SHSP Grant Cycle available to utilize.

Staff recommends authorizing the purchase of a 72-unit trailer and 36 portable barriers for a total of \$109,534.

Attachments:

1. Modular Vehicle Barrier System Quote
2. Advanced Security Technologies Contract

Respectfully Submitted by: Joanne Loeza, Management Analyst

Concur: Landon Phillips, Police Chief

Noted for Fiscal Impact: Henry Chao, Finance Manager

Concur: Brandon Walker, Administrative Services Director

Legal Review: Todd Leishman, Interim City Attorney

Reviewed by: Leo Zalyan, Interim Deputy City Manager

Approved: Joe SanClemente, Interim City Manager / Public Works Director