



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent Report  
**January 17, 2006**

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Subject:** Federal Agreement to Provide Funding for Response to Hurricane Rita

**Location/Council District:** Citywide

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution that authorizes the City Manager to accept federal funding for expenses related to the deployment of four (4) individuals as part of the Incident Support Team (IST) for Hurricane Rita.

**Contact:** Ed Vasques, Assistant Chief, 264-7522  
Denise Pinkston-Maas, Support Services Manager, 433-1667

**Presenters:** N/A

**Department:** Fire

**Division:** Special Operations

**Organization No:** 2553

**Summary:**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding to federal Urban Search and Rescue Teams when deployed to disasters and national security events. Four (4) members of the California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7) Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Team were deployed as part of the Incident Support Team (IST) for the response to Hurricane Rita. The award amendment provides funding to cover the costs associated with the deployment of the individual. The amendment must be signed and returned to FEMA so that the funds will be obligated for reimbursement to the City of Sacramento.

**Committee/Commission Action:** None.

**Background Information:**

The City of Sacramento Fire Department is the sponsoring agency for CA TF-7 US&R team. At times, individual members from CA TF-7 US&R team are activated to provide overhead support to natural disasters and national security special events. On September 19, 2005, one (1) member of CA TF-7 was activated by FEMA for response to Hurricane Rita, three (3) more were activated on September 21, 2005. Costs



incurred by CA TF-7 during the activation are reimbursed by FEMA. For each activation an award amendment is issued by FEMA to obligate the funds to provide reimbursement to the sponsoring agency. FEMA has issued one amendment for deployments by CA TF-7 to Hurricane Rita. We are requesting authorization of the City Manager to sign the amendment to the Assistance Award agreement.

**Financial Considerations:**

As the sponsoring agency, the City of Sacramento incurs costs related to the activation of CA TF-7 US&R team. FEMA reimburses expenses directly related to the activation of the team. This agreement allows FEMA to obligate the funds for payment to the City of Sacramento Fire Department.

**Environmental Considerations:** None.

**Policy Considerations:**

Acceptance of the federal US&R funds is consistent with City Council actions relative to state and federal grant awards. This report also supports the City Council's goal of establishing and strengthening community and regional partnerships to enhance the quality of life.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):**

No goods or services are being procured as a result of this report.

Respectfully Submitted by: Denise K. Pinkston-Maas  
Denise K. Pinkston-Maas

Approved by: Julius J. Cherry  
Julius J. Cherry  
Fire Chief

Recommendation Approved:

Ray Kerridge  
Ray Kerridge  
Interim City Manager

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## RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

January 17, 2006

### ACCEPTANCE OF EMERGENCY FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE SEVEN URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM

#### BACKGROUND

- A. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding to federal Urban Search and Rescue Teams when deployed to disasters and National Security events. CA TF-7 deploys members to events each year as needed. The amendments must be signed and returned to FEMA so that the funds will be obligated for reimbursement to the City of Sacramento.
- B. Four (4) members of the California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7) Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Team were deployed as part of the Incident Support Team (IST) for the response to Hurricane Rita. FEMA has issued one amendment for deployments of CA TF-7 members to Hurricane Rita. We are requesting authorization of the City Manager to sign the amendment to the Assistance Award agreement.

#### BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to sign the Assistance Award Amendment (M023) for funding the deployment of selected members of California Task Force Seven Urban Search and Rescue Team to Hurricane Rita.

Section 2. The award amount of M023 amendment is \$112,000 for the anticipated reimbursement of costs associated with deployment to the hurricane.

Section 3. The operating grant revenue and expenditure appropriations are increased as follows:

Revenues:

250-OGR-G587-3513	Federal Grant Revenue	\$112,000
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Expenditures:

250-OGR-G587-4287	Other Special Services	\$112,000
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FEMA

Sacramento Fire Department  
Attn: Chief Dennis Smith  
5770 Freeport Boulevard  
Suite 200  
Sacramento, CA 95822

SEP 30 2005

Re: EMW-2003-CA-0104 - M023

Dear Chief Smith:

Enclosed are two copies of Amendment M023 issued against Cooperative Agreement EMW-2003-CA-0104 in the amount of \$112,000.00 for review and signature. If acceptable, please sign two (2) copies of the award amendment document and send one copy, as soon as possible, to the following address:

Department of Homeland Security  
FEMA  
Grants Management Branch  
500 C Street, S.W., Room 334  
Washington, D. C. 20472  
Attention: Sylvia A. Carroll

The second copy is yours to retain as your fully executed copy.

Please feel free to contact me at (202) 646-3503, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sylvia A. Carroll".

Sylvia A. Carroll  
Grants Management Specialist

Enclosures