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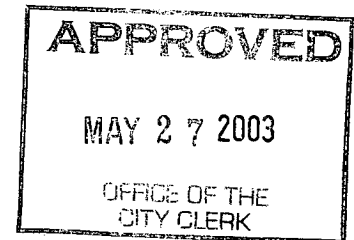
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City Council
Sacramento, California

AG 2003-088



Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: FEDERAL AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR RESPONSE TO
COLUMBIA SPACE SHUTTLE DISASTER**

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 an individual as part of the Incident Support Team (IST) for the Columbia Space Shuttle Disaster. This deployment was executed under the umbrella of the California Task Force Seven Urban Search and Rescue Team.

CONTACT PERSON: Dennis Smith, Fire Chief, 433-1601
Ed Vasques, Assistant Chief, 264-7522

FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: May 27, 2003

SUMMARY:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding to federal Urban Search and Rescue Teams when deployed to disasters. A member of the California Task Force Seven (CA TF-7) Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Team was deployed as part of the Incident Support Team (IST) for the Columbia Space Shuttle Disaster. The attached award amendment provides funding to cover the costs associated with the deployment of the individual. This amendment must be signed and returned to FEMA so that the funds will be obligated for reimbursement to the City of Sacramento.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Sacramento Fire Department is the sponsoring agency for CA TF-7 US&R team. Sometimes individual members from CA TF-7 US&R team are activated to provide overhead support to disasters and events. On February 5, 2003, a member of CA TF-7 was activated by FEMA to respond to the Columbia Space Shuttle Disaster. 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. We are requesting authorization of the City Manager to sign the amendment to the Assistance Award agreement. (The Assistance Award agreement is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk).

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 is also supports the City Council's goal of establishing and strengthening community and regional partnerships to enhance the quality of life.

ESBD EFFORTS:

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

Respectfully Submitted,



Dennis R. Smith
Fire Chief

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 330

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____



**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF
EMERGENCY FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CALIFORNIA
TASK FORCE SEVEN URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

That the City Manager or his designee is authorized to sign the Assistance Award for funding the deployment of a member of California Task Force Seven Urban Search and Rescue Team to the Columbia Space Shuttle Disaster. The award amount is \$12,264 for reimbursement of costs associated with deployment to the disaster.

That operating grant revenue and expenditure appropriations are increased as follows:

Revenues:

250 - OGR - GXXX - 3513 Federal Grant Revenue \$12,264

Expenditures:

250 - OGR - GXXX - 4287 Other Special Services \$12,264

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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DATE ADOPTED: _____

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