

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 3

SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST APPROVAL TO SEEK URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE COMPACT ARMORED TRACK VEHICLE (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The Sheriff's Department currently has several armored vehicles used for various public safety and rescue missions. Often during the rescue missions, there are vehicles, barricaded structures, fencing, or debris blocking the path of the armored vehicles which prevents first responders from getting closer to dangerous areas to rescue persons or provide additional resources. Increased access to dangerous areas during critical incidents creates more options for first responders. The Sheriff's Department seeks to purchase a Compact Armored Track Vehicle (CATV) that expands response capabilities by allowing for mobility, agility, safety, and multi-mission ability. The CATV is a rugged, versatile and highly maneuverable vehicle, and with the addition of armor plating, ballistic glass and variety of attachments, makes for a highly useful rescue vehicle. The ability to navigate terrain, rearrange, and remove obstacles is something that is not possible with the current fleet of armored vehicles.

Currently, no law enforcement agencies in San Diego County have this piece of equipment. By acquiring this equipment, the department would have it available for mutual aid requests. Owning this equipment in San Diego County reduces response times and increases the likelihood of a successful outcome of a critical incident in San Diego County. Considering that this equipment will benefit the safety of the region's first responders, the Sheriff's Department is seeking funding for the purchase of this equipment through the Fiscal Year 2023 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant for the project period September 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

This request is to approve and authorize the Sheriff's Department to apply for and accept Fiscal Year 2023 UASI grant funding from the Urban Area Working Group, the executive body that decides which regional projects are funded with UASI grant funds, for the purchase of a Compact Armored Track Vehicle.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SHERIFF

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires full cost recovery for grants and revenue contracts, as these grant and revenue programs do not recover full cost.
2. Approve and authorize the Sheriff's Department to apply for and accept Fiscal Year 2023 UASI grant funding for the purchase of a Compact Armored Track Vehicle.
3. Authorize Sheriff to execute all required grant documents, including any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Public safety encompasses more than just the enforcement of the law. Public safety includes engagement, involvement and connection to communities. The Sheriff's Department provides law enforcement services that aim to protect everyone's human right to life, liberty and security of person. The purpose and benefit to the acquisition and use of a compact armored track vehicle is public safety and the safety of first responders. This type of vehicle gives first responders access and engagement opportunities during highly critical incidents to enhance the delivery of de-escalation, negotiations, and rescue approaches.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to seek grant funding to acquire specific special equipment for public safety purposes contributes to County of San Diego Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access. By acquiring equipment that will be available for use by any agency delivering services related to public safety, the proposed action will benefit all San Diego County residents, particularly those residing in areas affected by access constraints by law enforcement. This equipment will benefit the region's first responder safety response by increasing access to safety equipment and shortening timelines for delivery of public safety and emergency services.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If the grant is awarded, this will result in future costs and revenue of approximately up to \$436,000. The funding source is the Urban Area Initiative Grant for the project period September 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026. Staff will return to the Board of Supervisors to appropriate funds in a future Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff. A waiver of Board Policy B-29 is requested as this revenue partially recovers Sheriff's Department direct costs but does not reimburse all costs associated with administrative overhead and support.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

This item was withdrawn at the request of the Chief Administrative Officer.

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County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter

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