



**CITY OF SALINAS
COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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DEPARTMENT: SALINAS POLICE DEPARTMENT
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TITLE: AGREEMENT FOR FY 2019 URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) GRANT FUNDS

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a resolution accepting FY 2019 UASI Grant Funds and authorize execution of all grant acceptance documents with the City and County of San Francisco.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council accept FY 2019 Bay Area UASI grant award of \$197,600, as administered by the City and County of San Francisco, for the creation of the Regional Monterey County Automated License Plate Recognition Program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Salinas Police Department, serving as Fiscal Agent for the Regional Monterey County Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) Program, has been selected to receive the 2019 Bay Area UASI Grant award of \$197,600, as administered by the City and County of San Francisco. The grant will support the purchase of cameras, licenses, initial storage and software for participating cities in the Regional ALPR Program. Cameras will be installed at major intersections and access points for each participating city in Monterey County. The participating agencies will coordinate with each other, the California Department of Justice (DOJ), and the Norther California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC). This partnership will allow for information sharing, alerting law enforcement agencies to vehicles on hot lists, assisting with both terrorist and criminal investigations, and intelligence gathering.

BACKGROUND:

Since its inception in FY 2003, the intent of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program has been to enhance regional terrorism preparedness in major metropolitan areas by developing integrated systems for terrorism prevention, protection, response, and recovery. The FY 2019 UASI program focused on financial assistance to address the unique regional, multi-discipline terrorism preparedness planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs of high-

threat, high-density urban areas. UASI funds are intended for regional approaches to overall preparedness and adopt regional response structures whenever appropriate.

On September 27, 2019, the 2019 Bay Area UASI grant in the amount of \$197,600 was awarded to the City of Salinas, as the Fiscal Agent for the Regional Monterey County Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) Program. The Monterey County ALPR Program will alert law enforcement personnel of hot-list or stolen vehicles and maintain searchable collected data; assisting with the prevention and investigation of terrorist attacks, and other criminal investigations, from all over the state. Monterey County attracts millions from all over the world and is a host to several major international events; home to a major agricultural industry that feeds the nation; and has notable state thoroughfares, Highway 1 and 101. ALPR allows for real-time collection, processing, and dissemination. The proposed project includes the purchase of 12 cameras, licenses, initial storage and software; however, recurring fees will be covered by the cities. Cameras will be installed at major intersections and access points. Participating agencies will coordinate with each other, DOJ, and NCRIC, which will allow for information sharing, alerting agencies to vehicles on hot-lists, assisting with terrorist and criminal investigations, and intelligence gathering.

The grant period runs from November 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378).

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

Approving the proposed resolution will support the City Council's Strategic Plan Goal of Safe, Livable Community.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

The Police Department will work with the Legal Department during approval, and with the Finance Department during implementation.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

Proposed funding from the 2019 Bay Area UASI Grant will be used to purchase 12 cameras, licenses, initial storage and software; however, recurring fees will be covered by the cities. The City of Salinas will serve as the Fiscal Agent for the grant, with no matching funds required.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Agreement with City and County of San Francisco for Distribution of FY 2019 UASI Grant Funds Final Grant Application – FY19 Bay Area UASI