Finance & Administration Committee

Action Item III-A

October 11, 2012

Approval to Amend the FY2013 Operating Reimbursable Budget for Federal FY2012 Security Grants

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Board Action/Information Summary

☒ Action ☐ Information	MEAD Number: 102752	Resolution: ☒ Yes ☐ No

TITLE:

Amend FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget - FY2012 Security Grant

PURPOSE:

PRESENTATION SUMMARY
Metro Transit Police have applied for, and received, Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) funding to sustain specialized security efforts and to initiate and award multiple contracts for projects provided by TSGP funding. This funding requires an amendment to the Metro's FY2013 operating reimbursable budget.

The Finance and Administration Committee is informed about the application for FY2012 Transit Security Grant Program funding for various security enhancements for the Metro Transit Police Department (MTPD). The committee ratifies the acceptance and approves to amend the FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget to include $1.536 million from the TSGP.

DESCRIPTION:

Metro's funding request to sustain the specialized security teams with federal funds was successful.

Key Highlights

- Funding received from Transit Security Grant Program assists in securing and protecting the Metro system against terrorism.
- The addition to the operating reimbursable budget provides the resources to protect Metro's assets and customers.
- Security enhancements prevent loss of assets and disruptions in service that may be caused by a terrorist attack.

Background and History

Prior to this request, MTPD has funded sworn officer positions specific to anti-terrorism from the Federal FY2007 TSGP, FY2009 TSGP, and FY2009 ARRA/TSGP (Law Enforcement). Typically, these funds have supported a dedicated bomb response liaison, additional explosives canine teams, and the Anti-Terrorism Teams. Funding

for each of these efforts was set to expire in calendar year 2012. This award will continue to fund these efforts through September 30, 2014.

Discussion

The TSGP is a competitive grant program available to the nation's transit at highest risk. This award was not made to Metro as a result of a specific threat. The entire $7.7 million has been awarded and will continue critical operational activities to be performed by sworn officers within MTPD into Metro's FY2015. These funds must be used to support the MTPD for specific tasks to be performed by sworn officers under the grant. Metro has been awarded other grants for infrastructure security improvements.

FUNDING IMPACT:

Reimbursable Operating Budget:	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
Personnel:	$1,016,673	$4,103,354	$1,131,041
Non-Personnel:	$518,951	$635,292	$368,973
Total:	$1,535,624	$4,738,646	$1,500,014
Project Manager:	Michael Taborn		
Project Office:	MTPD		
FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget:	$35,157,000		
This Action:	$1,536,624		
FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget Amended:	$36,693,624		

This request is not linked to a capital project, but maintains MTPD's security operating abilities. Additionally, funding from this grant does not require local matching funds.

TIMELINE

Previous actions	May 24, 2012 – Approval of the FY2013 Budget which included $35.2 million Reimbursable Operating Projects (Resolution 2012-14) September 9, 2012 – Department of Homeland Security awarded TSGP funds to WMATA in the amount of $7.7million for FY2013 through 2015.
Anticipated actions after presentation	FY2014 and FY2015 funding will be proposed for Board approval in future budget year.

RECOMMENDATION:

Acceptance of FY2012 Transit Security Grant Program funding and approval to amend the FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget to include $1,535,624.

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Amend the FY2013 Operating Reimbursable Budget

Finance and Administration Committee
October 11, 2012

Purpose

- Inform the Committee about FY2012 Transit Security Grant Program funding
- Obtain committee ratification of fund acceptance and approval to amend the FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget to include $1.536 million

Description

Metro Transit Police has received $7.775 million in Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) funding

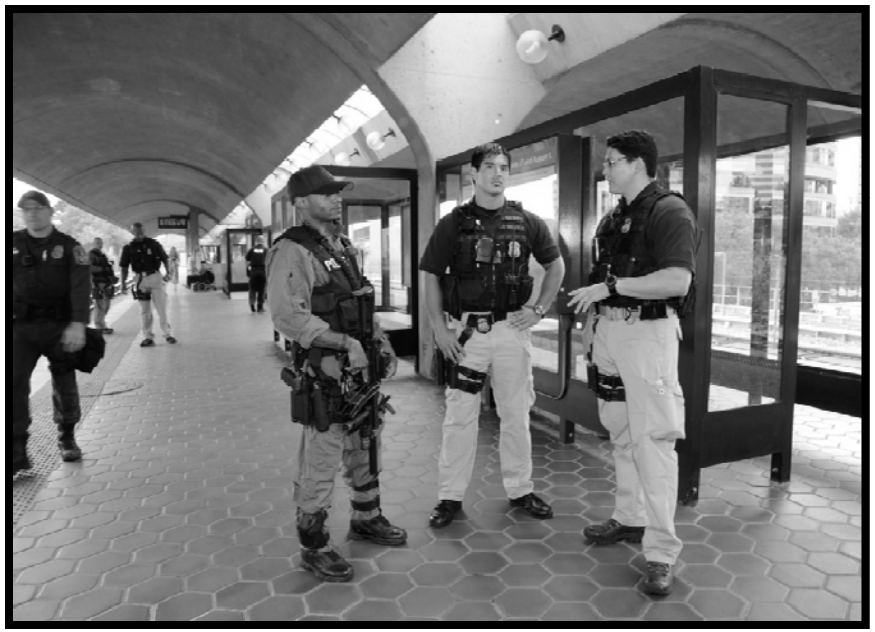
- Supports Metro's anti-terrorism program, including officers and K9 teams
- Funding acceptance requires FY2013 operating reimbursable budget amendment
- Continues critical operational activities into FY2015

Fiscal Year	Amount
2013	$1,536M
2014	$4,739M
2015	$1,500M
Total	$7,775M

Recommendation

The Committee and Board:

- Ratify acceptance of FY2012 Transit Security Grant Program funding
- Amend the FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget to include $1,535,624



SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY2013 REIMBURSABLE OPERATING BUDGET

RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has identified the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) as a national critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The DHS has created grant programs to protect assets and customers from acts of terrorism; and

WHEREAS, The DHS has awarded WMATA grant funds totaling $7.775 million to fund eligible activities during the period of FY2012 to FY2015; and

WHEREAS, The aforementioned DHS grants are funded entirely from federal grant proceeds with no local matching funds required; and

WHEREAS, WMATA has submitted a grant application for and has been selected for a $7.775 million DHS grant; and

WHEREAS, WMATA has identified $1.536 million in eligible early action items to be funded in FY2013 by the DHS grant; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors ratifies the application and acceptance of DHS grant funds under the Transportation Security Grant Program to protect assets and customers from acts of terrorism; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors increases the FY2013 Reimbursable Operating Budget by $1.536 million from $35.157 million to $36.693 million; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer to initiate and award contract actions or agreements necessary to implement these funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the actions hereby authorized are subject to the receipt and availability of the federal funds; and be it finally

PROPOSED

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,

Carol B. O'Keeffe
General Counsel

PROPOSED