



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 4, 2007

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: 2005 BUFFER ZONE PROTECTION PLAN (BZPP) GRANT FUNDS

DATE: AUGUST 9, 2007

FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT / FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: DALE BIRNEY, POLICE LIEUTENANT

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Accept the Buffer Zone Protection Plan (BZPP) Grant in the amount of \$47,287
2. Approve the attached Budget Adjustment BA#08-006 in the amount of \$47,287 to increase revenue and appropriations for the purchase of one surveillance camera and supporting hardware with BZPP federal grant funds. This asset will be placed in South Coast Plaza and integrated into their existing video surveillance system.

BACKGROUND:

In February 2003, the President's National Strategy for the Physical Protection of Critical Infrastructures and Key Assets directed the development of a comprehensive national approach to physical protection. This Strategy identified specific initiatives to drive near-term national protection priorities and updated the resource allocation process. Following the President's direction, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) was directed to work closely with key public and private sector entities to ensure the strategy is implemented to secure the United States from terrorist threats or attacks.

As part of the national effort to protect critical infrastructure assets, the DHS Protective Security Division would assist state and local authorities, as well as private industry, in developing Buffer Zone Protection Plans (BZPP's). The purpose of a BZPP, and protective measures planning in general, is to develop effective preventive measures that make it more difficult for terrorists to conduct surveillance or launch attacks from the immediate vicinity of Critical Infrastructure/Key Asset targets.

Based on the criteria provided by the DHS Protective Security Division, South Coast Plaza qualified as a site eligible for additional security measures relating to the grant.

In September 2005, the Police Department was notified of the awarded \$47,287 in Buffer Zone Grant funds.

ANALYSIS:

Police staff initially sought to purchase a variety of items that would assist in the response to an incident within the Buffer Zone. These items included ballistic helmets and vests, ballistic entry shields, additional batteries for handheld radios, battery charging systems, crowd control dispersal agents, and a video surveillance system.

During that process, staff discounted other items in favor of the video surveillance system. Staff members contacted the vendor responsible for installation of the video surveillance system currently utilized by security personnel at South Coast Plaza. Staff learned the Police Department could obtain a stand alone video surveillance system that could be integrated into the South Coast Plaza Security video system. This would not only meet the guidelines of the grant, but allow us the opportunity to expand video surveillance at South Coast Plaza.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

The alternative would be to purchase the other safety items instead of a video surveillance system.

FISCAL REVIEW:

The attached Budget Adjustment BA#08-006 increases revenue and appropriates \$47,287 for the purchase of video surveillance equipment, which will be reimbursed from the Buffer Zone Protection Plans federal grant funds.

LEGAL REVIEW:

The City Attorney's Office has approved the attached grant agreement as to form.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that City Council accept the Buffer Zone Protection Plan grant funds and approve Budget Adjustment 08-006 in the amount of \$47,287 for the purchase of one surveillance camera and supporting hardware with BZPP Federal Grant Funds. This asset will be utilized at, and integrated into, the South Coast Plaza video surveillance system.



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Attachments: Attachment I

Budget Adjustment 08-006

Attachment 2

Justification of Sole Source Request

Attachment 3

SSD Systems Purchase and Installation Proposal