

	MINUTES NEVADA HOMELAND SECURITY COMMISSION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING		
	DATE	Thursday, February 27, 2014	
	TIME	1:00 P.M.	
	LOCATION	Nevada Division of Emergency Management	
		Training Room	
		2478 Fairview Drive Carson City, Nevada 89701	
	METHOD	Teleconference	
RECORDER	Karen Hall		
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PRESENT	LEGISLATIVE & EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS, STAFF, AND OTHERS	PRESENT
Doug Gillespie – Chair		Christopher Smith – Chief DEM	X
Stacey Giomi – Vice Chair	X	Selby Marks – HS Staff	X
Kyle Devine		Samantha Ladich – DAG Rep.	X
Angela Krutsinger	X		
Carolyn Levering	X		
Adam Sandler			
Stan Smith	X		
Bill Welch	X		

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair, Chief Stacey Giomi, Carson Fire Department called the meeting to order. Selby Marks, Nevada Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, Nevada Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (NDEM/HS) performed roll call. Quorum was established for the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice-Chair Giomi opened discussion for public commentary. No public commentary noted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chair Giomi called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the November 20, 2013 Finance Committee meeting. Angela Krutsinger, Nevada Hospital Association called for a correction of the spelling of Mr. Eric Millette’s last name on pages three and four, under NCHS-96 reference. Carolyn Levering, City of Las Vegas motioned to approve with correction noted, with a second provided by Ms. Krutsinger. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

4. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN

No commentary was presented by Vice-Chair Giomi.

5. REQUEST TO REALLOCATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) FUNDS

Vice Chair Giomi opened discussion on reallocation requests as agendaized with discussion summarized below:

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NCHS-89 Re-Obligation: Nevada Department of Administration, Buildings and Grounds. Sawyer Office Building Force Protection. Total combined cost of both phases is \$139,222.00

- No presenter came forward to speak to this re-obligation request
- Angela Krutsinger presented concern about this request being able to be completed within the performance period. Chief Chris Smith, NDEM/HS concurred, and there is no authority in budget account currently which would mandate legislative action. Vice-Chair asked the Finance Committee if there was any action required on this item, and moved to deny this request due to the inability to perform under the current performance period which ends June 30, 2014. Chief Smith recommended that all requests go to the Commission noting either support or denial by the Finance Committee. Stan Smith, Boyd Gaming seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion to deny passed unanimously.

NCHS-93 Re-Obligation: City of Reno. Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforce Training. The total cost of this request is \$4,500.00.

- Presenter, Beverly Buchanan, Reno Emergency Communications briefed the Committee on this request.
- Vice-Chair Giomi indicated that this request had been brought forward previously, however presenter was not available. The Vice-Chair indicated that the amount of funding available for re-obligations exceeds the combined total of all requests before the Committee, with noted issues being relevance and performance period. Stan Smith motioned to approve the request, with Angela Krutsinger seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.
- Mark Blomstrom, in a public comment allowed by the Vice-Chair, asked if this request was statewide, and it was confirmed as such.

NCHS-107 Re-Obligation: East Fork Fire and Paramedic District. Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and High Yield Explosive (CBRNE) Hazmat-Fit Test Machine. The total cost of this request is \$11,310.00.

- No presenter came forward to speak to this re-obligation request. East Fork Fire did call prior to meeting indicating the inability to attend today's meeting.
- Angela Krutsinger presented concern over possible supplanting, with confirmation from Kelli Anderson, NDEM/HS that due to East Fork Fire not having a budget for this, supplanting was not an issue. Stan Smith motioned to approve this request, with Bill Welch, NHA seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

NCHS-108 De-Obligation: Clark County Fire Department. Fusion Center. The total amount of this deobligation request is \$120,000.00; and **NCHS-108 Re-Obligation:** Clark County Fire Department. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Southern Nevada Fire Use in Hostile Mass Casualty Incidents (MCIs). The total cost of this request is \$118,708.00.

- For purposes of discussion, both NCHS-108 De-Obligation and NCHS-108 Re-Obligation were combined during discussion with approval from Samantha Ladich, Senior Deputy Attorney General.
- Irene Navis, Clark County Office of Emergency Management and Captain Evan Hannah, Clark County Fire Department briefed the Committee on this de-obligation/re-obligation set of requests. Difficulties were presented in trying to fill the state-wide training liaison officer position, and the decision was made to de-obligate that funding in lieu of re-obligating monies for PPE for southern Nevada MCI's. Angela Krutsinger presented concern again that monies which are awarded are not being spent. Ms. Navis indicated that due to the difficulties filling the position as noted, the decision was openly discussed with NDEM and other fire agencies, and the current request to de-obligate and then re-obligate was made in order to not lose the

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allocated funding. Stan Smith inquired if this position would ever be filled again, with Ms. Navis indicating that this position was intended to be state-wide. Currently, Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center does have a funded individual from Clark County Fire for regional issues. Vice-Chair Giomi spoke to the state-wide position recruitment noting the difficulty in acquiring qualified candidates willing to take the position for a one-year funding guarantee. Vice-Chair Giomi suggested that the funding time-frame may need to be extended to attract better candidates.

- Captain Hannah spoke to the re-obligation for equipment purchase of hostile MCI kits noting support from both law enforcement and fire agencies in southern Nevada. Captain Hannah spoke specifically to active shooter incidents and the need for protection. Captain Mark Kiddleson spoke to the equipment configuration of the armor in addition to the total number of kits needed. It was confirmed that the current vendor of choice could provide the equipment in the time specified. Sustainability is not being requested, and once equipment reaches expiration date, the cost to replace would be borne operational.
- Bill Welch questioned if there would be enough sets for those that need the equipment based on the presented allocations. Discussion ensued addressing the challenges on disbursement so that response times allow equipment to be on scene quickly.
- Vice-Chair Giomi spoke to the mass casualty plan in Clark County is modeled after what fire and emergency responders are using moving forward. Before a tactical team can get on scene, incidents are often over. As such, industry standards are moving toward rapid deployment of equipment by first responders.
- Captain Hannah added that different funding streams have been investigated, and grant requirement prevent the purchase of this type of equipment, therefore looking at HSGP funding streams may be the only option currently.
- Motion to approve the de-obligation/re-obligation request for NCHS-108 presented by Bill Welch, with a second presented by Vice-Chair Giomi. All were in favor with no opposition. Angela Krutsinger inquired if the re-obligation request falls under the national priority of Mass Prophylaxis. Though this is an excellent project, in the future projects need to be managed so that zero hour changes aren't necessary. Stan Smith inquired which agencies the equipment would be deployed to, and those were Clark County Fire Department, North Las Vegas Fire Department, City of Las Vegas Fire Department, and Henderson Fire Department. Also discussed was training for the new equipment and future replacement of the equipment.
- Irene Navis added that the vendor will provide training as part of the contract.
- Kelli Anderson put on record the Commission priorities for 2011. In addition, the AEL number has changes which present a challenge. If there is approval from DHS for this request, there may be an issue with procuring tactical equipment for fire fighters which would leave the option of disbursing the equipment to law enforcement instead. In that event, this is what would have to happen.

NCHS-109 Re-Obligation: Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada (ITERC). Tribal Threat, Hazard, Identification, and Risk Assessment (THIRA). The total cost of this request is \$11,550.00.

- Gina Marotto, Inter-Tribal Emergency Response Commission (ITERC) briefed the Committee on this project noting changes related to restructuring workshops to be cumulative in nature. Ms. Marotto asked if an extension is possible to the end of July to expend funds. Kelli Anderson indicated expenditures past June 30, 2014 have not been approved due to difficulties closing 2010 funding. Ms. Anderson noted that there are still unspent monies in 2011, 2012, and 2013 noting that those monies are involved in other expenditures. Ms. Anderson asked for assurance that this money would be spent, with Ms. Marotto indicating how the funds would be expended. Ms. Marotto again asked if a 30-day extension past June 30, 2014 was possible, the funding would all be expended.

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- Bill Welch inquired if travel expenditures were included in this proposal, with Vice-Chair Giomi indicating the proposal is all travel with the exception of a 10% indirect cost allocation. Angela Krutsinger inquired where per-diem would fit in, with Ms. Marotto indicating that the tribe would absorb that cost. Ms. Krutsinger presented concern that this could not be completed by June 30, 2014. Discussion ensued on trying to rearrange workshop schedule to fit within the June 30th, 2014 deadline.
- Angela Krutsinger moved to approve this project with the caveat that the funding will be expended by June 30, 2014. Stan Smith seconded the motion. Ms. Marotto indicated that she will do her best to change the dates, but that is dependent on Region 9 partners. Chief Smith indicated that NDEM can also work with Region 9. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

NCHS-110 Re-Obligation: Nevada Division of Emergency Management. Statewide Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP). The total cost of this request is \$38,032.00.

- Bill Elliott, NDEM briefed the Committee on this project request.
- Angela Krutsinger asked for clarification if Mr. Elliot is working with Aaron Kenneston, Washoe County on this project. Mr. Elliott indicated that this project is separate, but parallel in that the concept is building resiliency in state government.
- Stan Smith motioned to approve, with a second provided by Carolyn Levering. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

NCHS-111: City of Las Vegas. Southern Nevada Unified Command (SNUC) Incident Command. The total cost of this request is \$5,183.09.

- Assistant Fire Chief, Mike Johnson, Clark County briefed the Committee on this project request.
- Angela Krutsinger inquired who would be responsible for maintenance, storage, and deployment of the trailer. Assistant Chief Johnson indicated that the City of Las Vegas would purchase the trailer, and with inter-agency agreements in place, it would be transferred to Clark County and maintained as a piece of equipment. Ms. Krutsinger also pointed out the purchase date noted on the proposal as tomorrow, and Carolyn Levering indicated that an extra week may be needed due to the delay of the Finance Committee meeting. City of Las Vegas is ready to take action upon formal approval.
- Stan Smith motioned to approve, with a second from Angela Krutsinger. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Gina Marotto inquired if there had been any movement for tribal representation on the Finance Committee. Chief Smith explained the process regarding applications, and at this time he is aware the application is moving through the process. Bill Welch would like to propose that the Finance Committee discuss the de-obligation and re-obligation of funds, with specific emphasis on a process where those projects not funded get re-evaluated. At some point in time, this issue needs to be revisited. Vice Chair Giomi indicated that notification does go out when funding does become available, and what is before the Committee today are those projects that were asking for this funding.

7. ADJOURN

Vice-Chair Giomi called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Welch motioned to adjourn, with Angela Krutsinger seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Meeting adjourned.