

	MINUTES		
	NEVADA HOMELAND SECURITY COMMISSION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING		
Attendance	DATE	Thursday, April 7, 2016	
	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
Stacey Giomi – Chairman	x	Caleb Cage	x
Joseph Lombardo – Vice Chairman	x	Samantha Ladich – DAG	x
Jerry Baldrige	x	Karen Hall – NCHS Staff	x
Michael Brown			
Dan Hourihan	x		
Christopher Lake			
Carolyn Levering	x		
Erin Lynch			
Stan Smith	x		
Bill Welch	x		

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Stacey Giomi, Finance Committee Chairman, called the meeting to order. Karen Hall, Nevada Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (NDEM/HS) performed roll call. Quorum was established for the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Giomi opened discussion for public commentary. No commentary presented in either venue.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Giomi called for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the November 9, 2015, Finance Committee meeting. Carolyn Levering, City of Las Vegas, moved to approve the minutes. Stan Smith, Boyd Gaming, seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.

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

Chairman Giomi opened discussion on reallocation requests. Carolyn Levering inquired if any of the presented projects were dependent upon one another, and additional inquiry

presented by Chairman Giomi on whether project requests presented today were not duplicative requests as presented for the 2016 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) process. Individual project discussions are summarized below:

NCHS-118: Clark County - Southern Nevada Incident Management Team (IMT).

NCHS-119: Clark County - Southern Nevada IMT

- Roger Haskins, LVMPD, represented project request as a result of cost savings from moving from an analog to digital platform, thermal imaging, and grant cycle warranty. No items in this request are duplicative in the 2016 HSGP process.
- Discussion ensued on whether project had been reviewed by the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). Project was determined to be State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) in origin, and it was determined that monies in this request could be used to procure equipment for 2016.
- Motion to approve NCHS-118 was presented by Stan Smith, with a second provided by Bill Welch, Nevada Hospital Associates. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.
- Deputy Chief John Steinbeck, Clark County Fire Department, spoke NCHS-119 and cost savings from getting more aggressive quotes. Kelli Anderson, NDEM, indicated that this project needed to come before the Finance Committee due to a scope change.
- Dan Hourihan, Inter Tribal Emergency Response Commission (ITERC) moved to approve NCHS-119, with Sheriff Joseph Lombardo, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.

NCHS-120: Reno Fire Department – Washoe TRIAD HazMat

- Captain Eric Millette, Sparks Fire Department, presented project speaking to the warranty issue. Kelli Anderson spoke to the 2016 HSGP request, with Captain Millette indicating his wishes for this approval due to a reduction in a project that went through the 2016 HSGP process. Additional discussion on concerns revolving around the closing of the grant and possible invoice issues.
- Sheriff Lombardo motioned to approve, with Bill Welch seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.

NCHS-121: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) – Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives (CBRNE).

- Roger Haskins, LMVPD, presented project request, with John Steinbeck indicating the project did receive a review through the Urban Area Working Group (UAWG) where it was approved.
- Carolyn Levering motioned to approve the project, with Captain Jerry Baldrige, Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.

NCHS-122: Nevada Department of Public Safety, Investigation Division – Fusion Center.

- Lieutenant Randy Jackson, Nevada Threat Analysis Center presented project noting the NTAC's growth and responsibility. Several funding lines were no longer necessary, and new areas required funding. No equipment in this request was being procured in the 2016 HSGP process.

- Motion to approve presented by Carolyn Levering, and a second provided by Dan Hourihan. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.

5. REVIEW AND UPDATE ON THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2016 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) PROCESS AND ALLOCATIONS

Chief Caleb Cage, NDEM, provided an overview of the 2016 HSGP process, including information on the State Preparedness Report (SPR) and the Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA) performed in 2015 in addition to both the state and urban area efforts related to the grant guidance and funding announcements, working group meetings, advisory committee review, and ultimate Nevada Commission on Homeland Security approvals. Final allocations were presented to the Finance Committee as review. Funding awards are estimated to come out in September 2016. Additional commentary provided by Deputy Chief Steinbeck noting the considerable effort of the UAWG in the 2016 HSGP process as well.

6. REVIEW OF FFY 2016 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) AND THE URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) PROPOSALS WITH THE INTENT TO FORMULATE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON HOMELAND SECURITY

Chairman Giomi opened discussion on final review of the 2016 HSGP projects as presented noting the recommendation of the HSWG came in with a balanced budget. Considerable discussion led by Sheriff Lombardo ensued regarding clarification on several cyber-related projects and the proposed deliverables. Brian Wilcox, Nevada Department of Administration spoke remediation efforts to address vulnerabilities and the consolidation of efforts to operationalize capability. Mr. Wilcox also noted that these efforts can be phased in, however criminals continue to build capacity and the defense strategy needs to keep up with that determination. Additional discussion presented on changing defense strategy to address defensive perimeters with the goal to make Nevada's defensive posture as impenetrable as possible. The efforts of the NCHS Cyber Security Committee were also discussed in vetting cyber-related projects, with Chief Cage speaking to the flaws in the current process including limited priorities and the democratic process as more tactical than strategic in driving statewide capacity. Additional concerns were discussed on how voting affected projects with significant funding requests. Mr. Wilcox was asked if his Project A could be reduced further, and he indicated if it were, that risked capability improvements and threat detection even with a phased approach. However, Mr. Wilcox would comply with what was needed should more cuts be necessary.

Discussion moved to the 2016 HSGP project ranking recommendations as presented, noting the importance of those projects either sustaining capacity or addressing new capacity. Concern was presented in the non-funding of the Tribal NIMS project, with emphasis on the importance of that project's ability to close capability gaps within the state. Considerable discussion ensued on the potential confusion of having split out the Tribal NIMS project from the larger Statewide NIMS project, with surprise by many members in having both projects fall so close to the red line especially in lieu of the fact that many projects take no cuts at all year after year. Potential solutions were discussed in order to try and fund the

Tribal NIMS project, and an initial motion to support that project's funding in the amount of \$49,000 was presented by Chairman Giomi. Sheriff Lombardo seconded the motion. All were not in favor, with Carolyn Levering not in agreement with the motion. Initial motion did pass through majority vote. With continued discussion, both the SNCTC Project K reduced the project amount by \$25,000, and Project A further reduced its project by \$24,000. Kelli Anderson indicated that the additional components of the Tribal NIMS project could be absorbed by the Statewide NIMS project and allocated as necessary. A second motion was presented by Chairman Giomi to reduce Project K by \$25,000, and Project A by \$24,000, and allocating the total amount of \$49,000 to the Statewide NIMS Project CC to absorb Tribal NIMS. Captain Baldrige seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed. Dan Hourihan abstained from the vote.

Chairman Giomi called for a motion to approve the remaining SHSP and UASI funding recommendations. Captain Baldrige motioned to approve, with Bill Welch seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Giomi opened discussion for public commentary. Chairman Giomi asked Sheriff Lombardo to represent these finding to the NCHS meeting on April 15, 2016.

8. ADJOURN

Chairman Giomi called for a motion to adjourn. Motion presented by Sheriff Lombardo, with a second provided by Dan Hourihan. All were in favor with no opposition. Meeting adjourned.