

	MINUTES		
	NEVADA HOMELAND SECURITY COMMISSION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING		
Attendance	DATE	Monday, March 2, 2015	
	TIME	10:30 a.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 – Vice Chair	X	Christopher Smith – Chief DEM	X
Carolyn Levering	X	Karen Hall – HS Staff	X
Regina Marotto	X		
Stan Smith	X		
Bill Welch			

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Stacey Giomi, Finance Committee Vice-Chair, Nevada Health Centers 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

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chair Giomi called for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the August 18, 2014, Finance Committee meeting. Carolyn Levering, City of Las Vegas motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Stan Smith, Boyd Gaming seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

4. REVIEW AND UPDATE ON THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2011, 2012, 2013 AND 2014 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) ALLOCATIONS.

Kelli Anderson, NDEM/HS briefed the Committee on the current status of FFY 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 HSGP allocations. Both 2011 and 2012 grant years are now closed. In 2011, \$11,249,601 in funding was received, with only \$55,897 remaining unspent. In 2012, \$4,587,792 in funding was received, with only \$40,446 remaining unspent. A good job was done in spending down both of these grant awards. In 2013, \$3,286,396 in funding was received, however only 55% of these funds have been spent to date. The deadline was February 28, 2015. The funds currently on the table are working through extensions. Stacey Giomi asked what the drop dead date is for this money, and it is August 2015 per

Kelli Anderson, as 6 months were reserved should there be deobligations that could be pushed out to sub recipients. In 2014, \$3,546,350 in funding was received, and only 4% of those funds have been spent. There were no questions presented by Finance Committee members.

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

Vice-Chair Giomi opened discussion on requests to reallocate HSGP funding. Summary of the discussion on each project noted below:

NCHS-112: City of Las Vegas Fire and Rescue

- Chris Sproule, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue indicated that a portion of the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) coordinator position has been absorbed by the City of Las Vegas Fire and Rescue allowing for this request.
- Due to the cost savings in MMRS in 2013, there will also be cost savings in 2014 as well per Kelli Anderson. Both Chris Sproule and Kelli Anderson will work on this issue together moving forward.
- Stan Smith, Boyd Gaming motioned to approve this project, with Carolyn Levering, City of Las Vegas seconding the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

NCHS-113 De-Obligation: State of Nevada, Department of Administration, and Enterprise IT Services.

- Jim Earl, Enterprise IT Services spoke to the background of this request indicating that a contracted position had not been hired to date resulting in the request to deobligated funding.
- Kelli Anderson explained to the Committee that this proposal seeks to eliminate \$115,000 in the personnel line, move \$3500 in the equipment line, move \$8,000 in the training line, and finally \$4,352 to free up funds to move to consultant contracts for Symmantec, thus using \$91,200 and deobligating \$39,652.
- Chief Christopher Smith, NDEM/HS spoke to his recollection of this project and the efforts of the Homeland Security Working Group (HSWG) in vetting this project. Chief Smith expressed concern as other HSGP projects gave up money specifically so this project could allow hiring a position to coordinate cyber security at the state level which in turn would provide intelligence to the fusion centers. That did not occur. The level of accountability, and understanding scope change, needs to be consistent and appropriate.
- Vice-Chair Giomi spoke to being up against the deadline now, and the deliverables of this project will not come to fruition as originally scoped. Kelli Anderson indicated that if it is agreed not to fund this request, the \$115,000 would be de-obligated and come back to those projects under the red line. Of the two projects below the line, one no longer requires additional funding, but the other does require additional funding. Any leftover funds would be pushed out through additional applications for the money. Should there be no additional applications, 2014 red-line items could be sourced as well for areas requiring funding.
- Chief Smith inquired on the specifics of what this project would now give to the state in modified form, with Mr. Earl indicating that analysis of Symmantec network feeds would

be done by Symmantec instead of the state position in addition to monitoring of the state and internal networks up to an amount obtained by grant negotiations.

- Kelli Anderson inquired on the performance period for Symmantec, with Mr. Earl indicating there is a one-time setup fee with a one-year performance period. Ms. Anderson emphasized that deliverables must be obtained within the performance period which would end in August. The project would have to be pro-rated to avoid not going over the performance period. It is possible to look at the 2014 funding stream to carry over what is not covered in the 2013 period; however a change request would have to be done to stay within federal guidelines. Chief Smith inquired if there were plans to continue looking at grant funding for this project moving forward, with Mr. Earl indicating that would be the case.
- Vice-Chair Giomi called for a motion on the project. No motion was provided. Kelli Anderson asked for guidance on how to proceed, either in denying the request or forcing a deobligation. Chief Smith inquired what would happen if this project is not funded as requested, with Mr. Earl indicating the project would need to be reworked. It would lose the ability to service and monitor the network with the type of analysis that Symmantec can provide.
- Kelli Anderson indicated that the Committee needs to grant the ability for this project to grant an extension up to the performance period. The grant closes in August 2015. Mr. Earl indicated he'd have to work with Symmantec to see if they are amenable to prorating the annual/monthly fees.
- Stan Smith motioned to approve the project for the \$39,652 deobligation and further supplement the project with 2014 funding if available. Stacey Giomi seconded the motion. Kelli Anderson asked that the motion be amended to grant the extension through August 31, 2015, with Mr. Smith amending the motion.
- Stacey Giomi called for a voice-vote; with all members present voting yes, no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

6. DISCUSSION ON THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2013 AND 2014 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) AND THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2014 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) GRANT APPROVED ALLOCATIONS

Chief Smith opened discussion on the following projects that fell below the red funding line that are now requesting funding reallocations should funding become available. Stacey Giomi inquired if this is pertains to 2013 or 2014 funding, with Kelli Anderson indicating it is for 2013 funding only totaling \$53,002 which includes the earlier deobligation from EITS.

NCHS-114 Re-Obligation: City of Mesquite.

- Kimberly Otero, City of Mesquite briefed the Committee on this project re-obligation request indicating the City of Mesquite has been informed that in order to be compatible with Las Vegas Metro, their radios must be upgraded. The City of Mesquite is seeking any additional funding that can assist with this matter.
- Vice-Chair Giomi inquired if the available amount of \$53,002 can help alleviate this issue, with Ms. Otero indicating they can use this money to activate as many radios as possible.

- Chief Steinbeck inquired what funding Mesquite will need to complete this project in entirety, with Ms. Otero indicating the City of Mesquite would need another \$70,000 to complete the project. There is commitment from the City of Mesquite to pay for ongoing maintenance.
- Rick Martin, NDEM inquired if there are any additional site licenses or annual subscription costs associated with this project, with Ms. Otero indicating there are no further costs associated with either the licenses or subscription costs.
- Motion to approve the request to put \$53,002 towards NCHS-114 presented by Stan Smith, with a second provided by Stacey Giomi.
- Committee voted into record this approval with yes-votes from all members present. Motion passed unanimously.

NCHS-115 Re-Obligation: City of Reno

- Kelli Anderson indicated that the City of Reno was able to fulfil this request, and this item is being pulled from the agenda for consideration.

Chief Smith inquired on guidance from the Committee in moving forward with those projects that may fall below the red line as a result of the 2014 HSWG outcome recommendation. Discussion ensued, with consensus that this be brought up at a future Finance Committee meeting to establish the process.

Chief Steinbeck inquired if Mesquite can be ready to spend the funding that they receive in the short time-frame allowed, with Ms. Otero indicating they can do so.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice-Chair Giomi opened discussion on public comment. Captain Eric Millette, City of Reno clarified that the city will be back for available deobligated funding to complete additional needs related to the NCHS-115 TRIAD project in the future. No other commentary provided.

8. ADJOURN

Vice-Chair Giomi asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion presented by Stan Smith, and a second provided by Vice-Chair Giomi. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.