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Communication No. 07-049

Submitted by: Dale Patch, Acting Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

28E Agreement between the City of Des Moines and Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division supporting Des Moines Bomb Squad to be a member of Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of a 28E Agreement between the City of Des Moines and Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division for the Des Moines Bomb Squad to be a member of Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program and for the continuance of funding from the Federal Homeland Security Grant Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The City of Des Moines (Bomb Squad) will continue to be eligible to share in the federal FY2006 Homeland Security Grant Program funding allocation of \$385,000 dollars with the Des Moines Bomb Squad to receive approximately \$48,000 dollars.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Members of the City of Des Moines Police Department have been working with other Iowa law enforcement agencies and Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management since 2001 to develop a concept to provide statewide bomb squad response to a chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, or explosives (CBRNE) event. Program funding is limited and the decision was made to invest federal homeland security funds with eight state and local agencies already having substantial bomb squad capabilities to create National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type II-III Bomb Squads.

Des Moines Bomb Squad has taken a leadership role in the development and implementation of Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program. The City of Des Moines Bomb Squad has received over \$739,200 dollars of federal Homeland Security Grant Program funds to date in support of this effort. The Bomb Squad has been operating with a Letter of Intent to participate in the task force concept, pending changes to Iowa Code Section 29C.8 that took effect July 01, 2006, drafting of the 605 Iowa Administrative Rules Chapter 12 and the final review of Iowa's Emergency Response Team 28E Agreements.

Approving the Iowa Bomb Squad Task Force Team 28E Agreement, is the next step in the process to delineate the responsibilities and procedures for the development, maintenance and deployment of the Des Moines Bomb Squad. The 28E Agreement was reviewed and approved by City Legal, Risk Management and the Iowa Attorney General's Office. Acceptance of Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program 28E

Agreement is required for the City of Des Moines Bomb Squad to continue to receive funding from the federal homeland security grant program, which also serves as the basis for part of the Metropolitan Advisory Council's (MAC's) 28E Agreements with the MAC Agencies to support the Des Moines Homeland Security Program Initiative.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 05, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1084

Action: Joint Resolution, whereby the City of Des Moines and Polk County, requested the Chief of Police and Polk County Sheriff, work together cooperatively to seek innovations, improve services, maximize resources and engage with the State and other governments to look to the future of providing law enforcement services in our communities. Moved by Vlassis for the City of Des Moines to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0. Moved by Connelly and seconded by Brownell for Polk County to adopt, Motion Carried 5-0.

Date: August 08, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1925

Action: Resolution, whereby the City of Des Moines adopted the implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to assist managers and responders from different jurisdictions and disciplines, to work together more effectively to handle emergencies and disasters. (Council Communication 05-433). Moved by Brooks to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: November 07, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-2722

Action: Resolution whereby the City of Des Moines accepted Sub-grantee and Fiscal Agent responsibilities from Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management for the administration of the FY 2004 and FY 2005 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) funds to develop Iowa's Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) and Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Officer's (SWAT) Task Force Programs. (Council Communication 05-630). Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: January 08, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-081

Action: Resolution whereby the City of Des Moines accepted Sub-grantee and Fiscal Agent responsibilities from Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division for the administration of the FY 2006 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds for Iowa's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives (CBRNE) Detection, Bomb Squad (EOD) and Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Officer's (SWAT) Task Force Programs. (Council Communication 07-008.) Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

The Des Moines Bomb Squad will continue to participate as a member of Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program, and meet with other Task Force Teams and representatives of Iowa's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division, to implement and share in the federal Homeland Security Grant Program funds for Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program.