Staff Report Granicus Item 17-142D Application Pacakage

Subject:

United States Department of Homeland Security BioWatch Program Grant Application, 2006-st-091-000016-12; funding for FY 17-18 project period.

Recommended Action:

Approval by the Department Director of the grant application with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) for the BioWatch program for field operations and sample collection activities.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protection services to ensure a safe and secure community

Practice Superior Environmental Stewardship

3.3 Protect and improve the quality of our water, air and other natural resources

Summary:

This action approves a grant application for DHS's continued funding of the existing Biowatch Program for field operations and sample collection activities.

Background/Explanation:

This project has been ongoing since 2003 and is subject to certain information security restrictions per DHS. All information is considered "Sensitive but Unclassified" (SBU), "For Official Use Only" (FOUO), and is not for public disclosure. Any public records requests made relating to this agreement should be directed to DHS.

Fiscal Impact:

Total project cost estimate is \$175,000.00 for project period October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018. Funding request is for \$68,000.00 and use of \$107,000.00 in carryover funds from prior project period. No match is required. The grant provides 100% reimbursements for approved costs. Expenditures are budgeted in the Air Quality Division operating budget of the General Fund.

Delegated Authority:

Authority for the Department Director to approve this Grant Application is granted under Code Chapter II, Article III, Section 2-64.

Staff Member Responsible:

Ajaya Satyal, Air Quality Division Manager, Parks & Conservation Resources

Partners:

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Attachments:
DHS 2006-ST-091-000016-11 Pinellas County Prior Awards
OMB Approval_Intent to Apply Submitted - DHS BW Grant