To: Board of Directors

From: Staff

Subject: Authorization to Amend the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and Enter into Agreement for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Grant Funding

Date: September 13, 2017

Earlier this year, staff applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for funding under a grant program to prepare communities for a complex terrorist attack. The application was one of 29 selected for funding. The St. Louis region was awarded $1,474,716 with no matching funds required.

This funding will be utilized to identify capability gaps related to preparing for, preventing, and responding to a complex coordinated terrorist attack; develop and advance regional partnerships and whole community collaboration; train personnel and the whole community to implement the plans and processes and build needed capabilities; and conduct exercise(s) to test capabilities and identify opportunities for additional corrective action.

The associated Unified Planning Work Program element 2.90 is attached.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Executive Director be authorized to accept the CCTA award from FEMA for the amount of $1,474,716 and that the FY 2018 UPWP be amended to include element 2.90.
Activities:

1. Design and conduct a series of operational exercises that requires increasing levels of coordination among regional response agencies, requiring response agencies to establish a unified command and multiple area commands.

2. Develop a complex coordinated terrorist attack (CCTA) response plan that engages all appropriate regional partners, and includes matrices and field guides.

3. Incorporate CCTA plan into planned and scheduled training courses.

4. Conduct a series of operational exercises that test and validate CCTA plan.

5. Conduct scenario-based workshops to develop protocols by discipline.

6. Develop guides for use by front line personnel for integration of specialized teams.

7. Develop guides, protocols and forms for intelligence information sharing to and from the fusion center to responders, and identify communication mechanisms to share information.

8. Test newly developed guides, protocols and forms through training and exercises.

Products/Outcomes:

A. The Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Response Plan, designed as a result of various operational exercises and coordination with regional response agencies. (June 2020)

B. Guides, protocols and forms for front line personnel for integration of specialized teams. (June 2020)

C. Guides, protocols and forms for information sharing. (June 2020)

Estimated Costs:

Federal:

DHS / FEMA $1,474,716
Subtotal $1,474,716
TOTAL $1,474,716
The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the Council offices on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance
John Griesheimer, Chair; Presiding Commissioner, Franklin County, MO
Mark Kern, Vice-Chair; Chairman, St. Clair County, IL Board
Steve Stenger, 2nd Vice-Chair, County Executive, St. Louis County, MO
Chuck Caverly, President, St. Louis County Municipal League
Steve Ehlmann, County Executive, St. Charles County, MO
Jason Fulbright, Jefferson County, MO
Bill Grogan, Regional Citizen, St. Clair County, IL
Curtis Jones, IDOT
Reggie Jones, Mayor, City of Dellwood, St. Louis County, MO
Richard Kellett, Regional Citizen, St. Louis County, MO
Lyda Krewson, Mayor, City of St. Louis, MO
John A. Laker, Regional Citizen, St. Clair County, IL
Roy Mosley, Board Member, St. Clair County, IL
Kurt Prenzler, Chairman, Madison County, IL Board
Herb Simmons, President, SW IL Metropolitan and Regional Planning Commission
Tom Smith, Mayor, City of Waterloo, IL; President, SW IL Council of Mayors
Ken Waller, County Executive, Jefferson County, MO
John White, Councilman, St. Charles County, MO

Members Absent
Robert Elmore, Chairman, Monroe County, IL Board
Barbara Geisman, Regional Citizen, City of St. Louis, MO
Emeka Jackson-Hicks, Mayor, City of East St. Louis, IL
Erika Kennett, State of Illinois Department of Commerce and Opportunity
Mark Kupsky, Mayor, City of Fairview Heights, IL; Vice-President, SW IL Council of Mayors
Patrick McKenna, MoDOT
John Nations, President, Bi-State Development
Kristen Poshard, Regional Citizen, Madison County, IL
Lewis Reed, President, Board of Aldermen, City of St. Louis
Michael Walters, Regional Citizen, Madison County, IL

Others in Attendance
Kim Cella, Citizens for Modern Transit
Tom Curran, St. Louis County, MO
Jamey Edgerton, STL Partnership
Gary Elmestad, St. Charles County, MO
CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Mr. Griesheimer, Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 30, 2017 MEETING

Motion approving the August 30, 2017 Minutes was made by Mr. Kellett, seconded by Mr. Mosley. Motion carried, all voting aye.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Where We Stand 7th Edition, Update 5: Innovation and Entrepreneurship
Dan Hutti, EWGCOG, presented information on the most recent Where We Stand updates: Innovation and Entrepreneurship. He advised that the update references St. Louis’s ranking against 50 peer metropolitan statistical areas relating to productivity, patents, venture capital, entrepreneurship, start-ups, and skilled workforce.

Amazon HQ2
Sheila Sweeney and Jamey Edgerton, St. Louis Economic Development Partnership, briefed the Board regarding Amazon’s recent announcement of its intent to build a secondary headquarter location in North America. They provided information on the time-sensitive Request for Proposal (“RFP”) that was issued on September 7, 2017 and the roles that St. Louis Economic Development Partnership and the Regional Chamber have undertaken to identify and analyze the most viable sites under the terms of the RFP and to prepare a proposal that encompasses the region’s strengths and assets. She noted that the application is due on October 19, 2017.

Concerns were raised about the process of selecting sites for a regional proposal. Lengthy discussion followed regarding site selection that would benefit the entire region; the importance of identifying the strongest sites in conforming to the RFP; the need for regional buy-in; and the viability of engaging the Governor of Missouri and local legislators to possibly create an incentive package that would strengthen the proposal.
Consensus was that the Board would reconvene to review the sites being proposed as part of the final proposal to gain regional support for the sites in the proposal. It was suggested that because of the confidential nature of the proposal the Board could meet in closed session to discuss the proposal to so as not to make the information available to competing regions.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Authorization to Amend the Unified Planning Work Program and Enter into Agreement for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Grant Funding**

Dale Chambers, EWGCOG, summarized staff’s recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to accept the CCTA award of $1,474,716 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and to amend the 2018 UPWP to include corresponding Element 2.90.

Motion approving the recommendation was made by Mr. Waller, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion carried, all voting aye.

**Modification to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program, Connected2045, and the related Air Quality Conformity Determination - Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)**

Rachael Pawlak, EWGCOG, summarized staff’s recommendation to revise the FY 2018-2021 TIP, Connected2045, and related Air Quality Conformity Determination to add the 21 new TAP projects referenced in the meeting materials.

Motion approving the recommendation was made by Mr. Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mosley. Motion carried, all voting aye.

**Modification of the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Connected2045, and the Related Air Quality Conformity Determination - Requested by Illinois and Missouri Sponsors**

Jason Lange, EWGCOG, summarized staff’s recommendation to revise the FY 2017-2020 and FY 2018-2021 TIPS, Connected2045, and related Air Quality Conformity Determination to add the 14 new projects, four scoping projects, and six modified projects referenced in the meeting materials.

Motion approving the recommendation was made by Mr. Fulbright, seconded by Mr. Kellett. Motion carried, all voting aye.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Griesheimer advised that Mr. Grogan was retiring from the St. Clair County Transit but would remain on the Board.

He also advised that Todd Brinkman, Franklin County resident, has been nominated to the Missouri Highway Commission and asked that everyone keep former Highway Commission appointment, Board member, and EWGCOG Executive Director Ed Hillhouse in their prayers as he battles serious health issues.
ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Kern seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

James M. Wild
Secretary, Board of Directors