

ORDINANCE NO. 003-106

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO
THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
SECURITY FOR FY 2003 OFFICE OF
DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS FUNDS

WHEREAS, In July 2002, President Bush approved the National Strategy for Homeland Security, establishing a road map for the national effort to prevent and respond to terrorism in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to this action, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Office for Domestic Preparedness (ODP) is providing financial grant assistance to selected urban areas and mass transit systems through the 2003 Urban Areas Security Initiative; and

WHEREAS, These grants are being provided to address the unique equipment, training, planning, and exercise needs of large, high-threat urban areas; and

WHEREAS, Selected agencies must apply for the grant by August 28, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is one of the selected transit agencies eligible for this grant; and

WHEREAS, The grant of \$5,177,019 can be used to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is authorized to use the funds for such things as developing and implementing plans, procedures, and protocols for transit security, equipment acquisition, training and design, and developing and conducting exercises that train emergency personnel; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that the Authority apply for the Homeland Security grant. These grant funds will be used for measures that enhance security; and

WHEREAS, The use of the OPD funds carries certain responsibilities; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The President of the CTA is hereby authorized to execute and file any document in support of an application for up to \$5,177,019 to implement OPD projects for which the Authority will be reimbursed 100% of the approved amount in Federal OPD funds.

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SECTION 2. The President of the CTA is hereby authorized to execute and file with such application, an assurance, certification, and any other document required by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security necessary to effectuate the grant application.

SECTION 3. Staff is authorized to use these funds to enhance the Authority's subway security system through the purchase of closed circuit television cameras, video recorders, passive and active intrusion detection, access and control, and communication network elements. If the President of the CTA determines that the acquisition of some or all of these items is not feasible, or does not satisfy the Authority's needs, he is authorized to use these funds for any other purpose consistent with the grant.

SECTION 4. The President of the CTA is hereby appointed as the Authority's representative regarding this grant. He is hereby directed and authorized to act in connection with the application and to furnish such additional information and to execute such additional documents as the U.S. Department of Homeland Security may require, in connection with the approval and funding of projects contained in the FY 2003 OPD program.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

August 6, 2003

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