

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY


CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO: (A) ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACCEPT OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION SAFETY (OTS) GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$165,000); (B) APPROPRIATE AND ADMINISTER SAID FUNDS; AND (C) EXPEND OTS FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY'S PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VEHICLE EXTRICATION EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, each year, the Oakland Fire Department responds to several hundred vehicle accidents throughout the city, with many of these incidents requiring the use of power tools to remove a trapped occupant; and

WHEREAS, modern vehicle construction requires new technology to allow fire department personnel to quickly, and safely remove an occupant from a vehicle that has suffered significant damage from an accident, where delays in extracting a patient(s) from a vehicle that has been significantly damaged can result in a fatality; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this grant is to allow the Fire Department to purchase modern vehicle extrication equipment that is environmentally friendly (battery powered), more portable, and requires less time to set up for operation in comparison to legacy vehicle extrication equipment in current use; and

WHEREAS, purchasing modern portable battery-operated tools, will shorten the critical amount of time it takes OFD to extricate victims, and get them to the emergency room faster, which may result in lives saved; and

WHEREAS, this is the fourth grant that the California Office of Traffic Safety has awarded to the Oakland Fire Department. In December 2023, with the adoption of Resolution Number 89998 C.M.S., the City Council authorized the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with the State Of California to accept an Office Of Transportation Safety (OTS) Grant in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000); and

WHEREAS, as technology continues to advance, the complexity of quickly and safely removing an occupant from a vehicle by firefighters will intensify; and

WHEREAS, the aim of this agreement is to ensure that fire department members have access to technology that complements the comprehensive emergency service delivery offerings provided to the communities of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, staff members in the Fire Administration have provided representatives from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety with all required documents to satisfy initial paperwork to satisfy grant acceptance requirements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council authorizes the City Administrator to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California's Office of Transportation Safety to accept funds in the amount of One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$165,000) for the City to purchase lifesaving power tools and extrication equipment and fully implement the department's Regional Crash Response and Extrication Improvement Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or designee is hereby authorized to accept, appropriate, and administer said grant funds in a Grant Fund to be determined (TBD), Emergency/Suppression: Shift A Organization (20411), Project to be determined (TBD); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or designee is authorized to expend said funds to purchase equipment, in accordance with the City's purchasing requirements and programs/policies; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney shall review and approve said agreement as to form and legality and copies of said agreement shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California

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