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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: Darin White
Fire Chief

SUBJECT: 2018 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters
Grant

DATE: November 8, 2019

City Administrator Approval

Date:

11/21/19

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator, Or Her Designee, To: 1) Enter Into A Grant Agreement With The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) To Accept Assistance To Firefighters Grant (AFG) Funds In The Amount Of Seventy Four Thousand Five Hundred Forty Six Dollars (\$74,546.00); 2) Accept, Appropriate, And Administer Said AFG Funds; And 3) Expend Funds To Purchase Equipment, In Accordance With The City's Purchasing Guidelines.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In October of 2018, the Oakland Fire Department (OFD) applied for and was awarded on August 29, 2019 the AFG grant in the amount of seventy-four thousand five hundred forty-six dollars (\$74,546.00). The grant is intended to fund the purchase of a new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) fixed fill station and to make upgrades to our existing mobile fill station.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Replacement of the department's 2005 self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) fill station is essential and necessary to maintain compliance with NFPA 1989, 1500 and 1404 as well as the Code of Federal Regulations 1910.134. Within the past year, the department invested approximately twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) to maintain and repair OFD's antiquated fixed fill station and approximately ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) on OFD's mobile fill station simply to keep them operational. Previously, during the repairs, the Oakland Fire Department

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required the use of neighboring fire departments to assist with filling the Oakland Fire Department's SCBA cylinders. The AFG grant will ensure the department has the operational equipment to support every Oakland firefighter in the field.

FISCAL IMPACT

The following figures reflect the budgeted estimates for this grant (including Federal share plus recipient match):

Personnel: \$0.00
Fringe Benefits \$0.00
Travel \$0.00
Equipment \$82,000.00
Supplies \$0.00
Contractual \$0.00
Construction \$0.00
Other \$0.00
Indirect Charges \$0.00
Total \$82,000.00

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

No outreach was deemed necessary for the proposed policy action beyond the standard City Council agenda noticing procedures.

COORDINATION

The Office of the City Attorney and the Budget Bureau were consulted in the preparation of this report.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: Acceptance of this grant will provide funding to replace the current fixed SCBA fill station and to upgrade current mobile SCBA fill station.

Environmental: The Oakland Fire Department will maintain the fixed fill station as a backup emergency piece of equipment, so there should be no environmental impact.

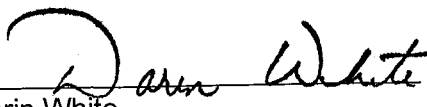
Race and Equity: This equipment supports Oakland firefighters in their daily mission to protect lives and property.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Administrator, or her designee, to: 1) Enter into a grant agreement with the federal emergency management agency (FEMA) to accept Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Funds in the amount of seventy four thousand five hundred forty six dollars (\$74,546.00); 2) accept, appropriate, and administer said AFG funds; and 3) expend funds to purchase equipment, in accordance with the City's purchasing guidelines.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Melinda Drayton, Deputy Chief, at (510) 238-4053.

Respectfully submitted,


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City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO 1) ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) TO ACCEPT ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY SIX DOLLARS (\$74,546.00); 2) ACCEPT, APPROPRIATE, AND ADMINISTER SAID FUNDS; AND 3) EXPEND FUNDS TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER NECESSARY RESOURCES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY'S PURCHASING GUIDELINES.

WHEREAS, in October of 2018, the Oakland Fire Department (OFD) applied for and was awarded on August 29, 2019 the AFG grant in the amount of seventy-four thousand five hundred forty-six dollars (\$74,546.00).; and

WHEREAS, the grant is intended to fund the purchase of a new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) fixed fill station and to make upgrades to the department's existing mobile fill station; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations; and

WHEREAS, since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards; and

WHEREAS, replacement of the department's 2005 self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) fill station is essential and necessary to maintain compliance with National Firefighter Protection Association (NFPA) 1989, 1500 and 1404 as well as the Code of Federal Regulations 1910.134.; and

WHEREAS, within the past year, the department invested approximately twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) to maintain and repair an antiquated fixed fill station and approximately ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) on a mobile fill station simply to keep them operational; and

WHEREAS, in the past, the Oakland Fire Department has had months where during the repairs, it required the use of neighboring fire departments to assist with filling SCBA cylinders; and now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that acceptance of the AFG grant will ensure that the Oakland Fire Department has the operational equipment to support every firefighter in the field; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council authorizes the City Administrator, or her designee, to enter into a grant agreement with the federal emergency management agency (FEMA) to accept Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funds in the amount of seventy four thousand five hundred forty six dollars (\$74,546.00); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Administrator or her designee is hereby authorized to accept, appropriate, and administer said AFG funds, and expend funds to purchase equipment, in accordance with the City's purchasing guidelines; 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.

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____
LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California