



CITY OF
CORPUS CHRISTI

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting April 28, 2026

DATE: April 28, 2026
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Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of one grant award for a total amount of \$29,448.00 from the Texas Office of the Governor FY 2023 State Homeland Security Program for the purchase of emergency response stabilization kits for the Corpus Christi Fire Department; and appropriating \$29,448.00 into the Fire Grants Fund

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of one grant award for a total amount of \$29,448.00 from the Texas Office of the Governor FY 2023 State Homeland Security Program for the purchase of three additional emergency response stabilization kits for ladder trucks for the Corpus Christi Fire Department; and appropriating \$29,448.00 into the Fire Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

This Ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Office of the Governor for the FY 2023 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) in the amount of \$29,448.00. If accepted, the funding will help enhance the safety of the public by providing funding for three emergency response vehicle stabilization kits for Corpus Christi Fire Department (CCFD) ladder trucks.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The State Homeland Security Program issues grants on an annual basis in order to improve state and local efforts in responding to potential acts of terrorism and catastrophic events. Qualifying uses of the grant funds include purchasing advanced equipment and training. Since 2002, the United States Department of Homeland Security has issued grants to the State of Texas, who in turn awards the grants to municipalities through its State Homeland Security Program.

These grant funds are from the FY 2023 SHSP grant program. Originally, the City was not selected to receive an award for the FY 2023 SHSP grant; however, on March 25, 2026 the Texas Office of the Governor (OOG) informed the City that after all awards were made, additional funding from FY 2023 was still available to be distributed. Therefore, the Texas OOG identified the City as an eligible recipient of excess funds through the City's original application for the FY 2023

SHSP grant program. Additionally, as part of this additional grant funding, the OOG stipulated that it is to be used specifically for CCFD's grant application.

The additional grant funding will help enhance the safety of the public by providing funding for three additional emergency response vehicle stabilization kits for CCFD ladder trucks. The kits contain six strut extensions, four ACME struts, four multi-bases, four hinged bases, four ratchet belts, and four tie down keys with J-Hooks. The stabilization kits are designed to ensure safety and efficiency during rescue operations. Their primary purpose is to stabilize vehicles, structures, or other unstable environments, allowing first responders to work safely and effectively during fire and rescue situations. The three additional stabilization kits will be used for units are Fire Station 1, Fire Station 2, and Fire Station 15. Once the three additional stabilization kits are received, CCFD will be at 100% for its stabilization kits.

The City has received funds from this grant for the past 23 years, excluding the FY 2023 grant year. Last year, the City received \$215,009.32 from the to the Public Safety Office – Homeland Security Grants Division for the State Homeland Security Program. The funds were used to purchase one additional 2025 Ford F-450 Police response vehicle and one replacement Spartan Robot for the Corpus Christi Police Department's Bomb Squad.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to accept the grant award and find other funding sources from the General Fund for the purchase of shelter-in-place kits. However, these funds were not budgeted as part of the FY 2026 General Fund Budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The grant funds in the amount of \$29,448.00 will be appropriated in the FY 2026 Fire Grants fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1062 Fire Grants Fund
Organization/Activity:	89 Grants & Capital Project Funds/TBD
Department:	10 Fire
Account:	Various
Amount:	\$29,448.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend authorizing the acceptance and appropriation of the 2023 State Homeland Security Program grant in the amount of \$29,448.00 from the Texas Office of the Governor, and execution of all necessary documents, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance
Certificate of Funds
Presentation