



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting 5/18/2021

DATE: April 15, 2021
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Acceptance of a grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Corpus Christi Fire Department EMS Operations

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of an \$11,137.00 grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Corpus Christi Fire Department's Emergency Medical Services operations; and appropriating \$11,137.00 into the Ambulance Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$11,137 from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council. This grant supports supplies and equipment purchases needed for the Corpus Christi Fire Department's Emergency Medical Services systems.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council (CBRAC) has awarded the Corpus Christi Fire Department (CCFD) a grant in the amount of \$11,137 to benefit the City's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) operations. The grant will reimburse the department for payments the department made to the EMS billing system for service. The City has received grant funding for EMS services from CBRAC for almost 15 years. Last year, the City received \$2,047 for this grant. The funding is more this year because the state included the allocation for two years combined plus an allocation for the newly annexed area in San Patricio county.

The funds are an annual allocation from the Texas Department of State Health Services that are distributed through the CBRAC. EMS agencies within the 12-county Coastal Bend region are eligible to receive funding if they are active participants in the Regional Advisory Council. The amount of funding each agency receives is based on the number of trauma emergencies the agency responds to on an annual basis. The CCFD responded to 11,559 trauma calls last year, which is more responses than the year before.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is to reject the grant and utilize the General Fund for equipment purchased for EMS that the grant would have covered.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$11,137 and appropriating \$11,137 to the Ambulance Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1056	Ambulance Grants
Organization/Activity:	820587L	CBRAC-EMS & Supplies '21
Mission Element:	888	Revenue
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	340000	Contributions & Donations
Amount:	\$11,137.00	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council authorize the ordinance to accept and appropriate the CBRAC grant of \$11,137 for EMS operations.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance