



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting December 6, 2022
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting December 20, 2022

DATE: December 6, 2022
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Acceptance and Appropriation of a grant for \$1,000 from NuStar Logistics L.P.

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing acceptance of a \$1,000 grant from NuStar Logistics L.P. for the purchase of supplies and equipment for the Corpus Christi Fire Department's HazMat Program; and appropriating \$1,000 into Fire Grant Fund.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance a \$1,000 grant from NuStar Logistics and appropriation of the funds. The grant funds will support the Corpus Christi Fire Department HazMat Program by purchasing much needed supplies and equipment to help them in the event of a HazMat emergency.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Hazardous Material response team (HazMat) was initiated in July of 1987 with the passing of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) Title III which requires local and state emergency planning around hazardous chemicals.

The HazMat response team is comprised of hazardous materials technicians who specialize in detecting, containing, and removing any release of potential hazardous substances in order to control or stabilize an incident. They participate in training activities that include simulated hazmat situational drills like simulated chlorine leaks from tank rail cars.

The HazMat response team currently is located at Fire Station #5. However, CCFD's HazMat response team is a FEMA Type I team, which makes it a regional response asset. To meet these expectations, CCFD requires safe, dependable, reliable, and current equipment and technology.

Since 2013, NuStar Logisitcs, L.P. has issued this grant annually to the Corpus Christi Fire Department (CCFD) through their charitable giving program. This year, NuStar Logistics, L.P. awarded CCFD with \$1,000 to be used to purchase much needed supplies and equipment that include testing and calibration materials, and sampling sensors for their HazMat Response Program. Last year, the City received \$1,000 for this grant.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative to accepting this grant is to find other funding sources to be used to purchase the necessary supplies and equipment for CCFD's HazMat Response Program. However, the funding for the purchases outlined in this memo were built into the FY 2023 Budget. As a result, CCFD will have to delay the purchase of the necessary supplies and equipment for its HazMat Response Program while trying to identify other possible funding sources.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of funds in the amount of \$1,000 and appropriating \$1,000 to the FY 2023 Fire Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1062 Fire Grants
Organization/Activity: 840029L NuStar
Mission Element: 888 Revenue
Project # **(CIP Only)**: N/A
Account: 340000 Contributions & Donations
Amount: \$1,000

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council authorize the ordinance to accept and appropriate the grant funds in the amount of \$1,000, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance