



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting February 8, 2022

DATE: February 8, 2022
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Acceptance of funds from Enbridge Fueling Futures

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of \$7,500.00 from Enbridge Fueling Futures for rescue equipment to include rope, cord, harness, and other rescue materials for the Corpus Christi Fire Department's Technical Rescue Program; and appropriating \$7,500.00 into the Fire Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

This Ordinance authorizes the acceptance and appropriation of \$7,500 from the Enbridge Fueling Futures program. The grant funds will be used to purchase rescue equipment to support the Corpus Christi Fire Department's technical rescue program which will help to provide the capacity needed to respond to emergency rescue calls for service.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Fire Department (CCFD) was awarded a grant in the amount of \$7,500 from Enbridge Fueling Futures through its Safe Communities First Responder grant program. The program was launched in 2002 to support first responders providing safety across the company's projects and operations. The program awards grants of up to \$7,500 for safety equipment, professional training, and safety education programs. Applications for the program are by invitation only to emergency response organizations that most closely meet the eligibility criteria, have high potential impact for community safety, and have a direct partnership with Enbridge. This is the first year the CCFD has received this grant from Enbridge Fueling Futures.

The grant funds will be used to purchase rescue gear that includes rope, cord, two AZTEK (Arizona Technician Edge Kit) ProSeries Systems, and harnesses. The AZTEK Systems offer more than 100 rigging solutions in one bag. CCFD currently uses harnesses, however, these new harnesses will be an upgrade as they will be lighter and easier to transport. Also, many of the current harnesses are reaching the end of their service life. This equipment will provide CCFD with important supplies needed to deliver its technical rescue services to the community.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to accept the grant and find other funding sources in order to purchase the necessary rescue equipment for CCFD. This would result in CCFD losing an opportunity to obtain much needed equipment upgrades for its technical rescues services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of funds in the amount of \$7,500 and appropriating \$7,500 to the Fire Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1062 Fire Grants
Organization/Activity: 840026L Enbridge- Safe Communities FY21
Mission Element: 888 Revenue
Project # **(CIP Only)**: N/A
Account: 520090 Minor Tools & Equipment
Amount: \$7,500.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council authorize the ordinance to accept and appropriate the grant funds in the amount of \$7,500, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance