

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of Feb. 9, 2016 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of Feb. 16, 2016

- **DATE:** January 14, 2016
- TO: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager
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Acceptance of 2016 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant in the amount of \$70,000 to update the 2010 Commodity Flow Study.

# CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant of services budgeted for \$70,000 from Texas Department of Public Safety, Governor's Division of Emergency Management, for FY 2016 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant program to conduct an update to the 2010 Commodity Flow Study with a hard match of \$14,000; appropriating the \$14,000 in the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Fund No. 6060; and changing the FY 2015-16 Operating budget adopted by Ordinance No. 030620 by increasing expenditures in the Local Emergency Planning Committee Fund No. 6060 by \$14,000.

## PURPOSE:

The data and analysis will be used to update the 2010 Commodity Flow Study.

## **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS**:

In 2010, the Corpus Christi/Nueces County LEPC conducted a Commodity Flow Study to assess hazardous material being transported throughout the County which included our three hazardous materials highways IH37, US77 and US181. This study predated the Joe Fulton Corridor as well as the influence of the Eagle Ford Shale play. The grant funds requested will be used to update the 2010 Commodity Flow Study. Nueces County is seeking to designate a Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials truck route that will potentially reduce the transport of hazardous materials over the new Harbor Bridge. The updated Flow Study will be used to determine the best possible route.

The Flow Study will be performed by the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) to collect, evaluate, and document hazardous materials movements for major roadway, railway, waterway, and pipeline transport corridors in the City of Corpus Christi, Nueces County LEPC jurisdiction. The Texas Department of Public Safety will pay TTI \$56,000 and the City of Corpus Christi LEPC will pay \$14,000 for a total of \$70,000. At the end of FY 2015, the Unreserved Fund balance for the LEPC Fund 6060 was \$83,000.

The appropriated funds will be budgeted into Account 530000 (Professional Service), Fund 6060, Org. 21700.

## ALTERNATIVES:

If we do not accept and appropriate funds from the grant, we will have limited information to determine the best possible hazardous materials truck route.

#### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

None

## **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

Council approval of Ordinance to accept grant funds.

#### **EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY**:

This is a Non-Emergency, non-controversial item.

#### **DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Legal

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
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Fund(s):

**Comments:** The City of Corpus Christi/Nueces County LEPC has approved a motion to apply and accept the HMEP grant which requires a match of \$14,000 which is 20% of the grant award.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approving Ordinance accepting the HMEP grant in the amount of \$70,000 to update the 2010 Commodity Flow Study and changing the FY 2015-16 LEPC Operating Budget by increasing expenditures in Fund No. 6060 by \$14,000.

#### LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance
Award Letter
Contract