

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading of Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of May 16, 2017 Second Reading of Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of May 23, 2017

DATE: April 28, 2017

TO: Margie C. Rose, City Manager

FROM: Robert Rocha, Fire Chief

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2017 Local Emergency Planning Committee Grant throughTexas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Grant in the Amount of \$92,662.80

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant to the City of Corpus Christi/Nueces County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) in the amount of \$92,662.80 from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for reimbursement of expenses for Purchase of a Hazmat ID Detection Device for the Corpus Christi Fire Department, Update First Responder Service Areas in Nueces County, and City of Bishop Dispatch and EOC Enhancement Project; and appropriating the \$92,662.80 in the No. 1062 Fire Grants Fund.

PURPOSE:

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has informed the City of Corpus Christi/Nueces County Local Emergency Planning Committee that it has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$92,662.80 for the following projects.

<u>Purchase of a Hazmat ID Detection Device for the Corpus Christi Fire Department.</u> The Hazmat ID is a handheld detection device that analyzes unknown samples of liquid or solid materials. Its size and weight allows firefighters to access difficult locations. It also allows sampling of most materials with no contact by the firefighter, therefore increasing safety to first responders.

<u>City of Bishop Dispatch and EOC Enhancement Project.</u> This project will modernize and standardize the current communication system in Bishop by purchasing a 911phone/computer software system. The upgraded system will enhance rapid dispatch of first responders in the area.

<u>Update First Responder Service Areas in Nueces County.</u> A consultant will be hired to review Emergency Service Numbers (first responder service areas) in Nueces County. This data informs 911 dispatchers which first responders should be sent to an emergency call. The Industrial District and Port of Corpus Christi emergency service areas will also be identified to enhance responses during a hazmat situation. This update is needed due to the growth of population and industry.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS: None **ALTERNATIVES**: If we don't accept the grant, we will have to seek alternative funding. **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:** None **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:** Council approval of ordinance to accept and appropriate grant funds. **EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:** Staff is requesting a non-emergency reading to this routine, non-controversial item. **DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:** Legal Finance – Grants and Office of Management and Budget **FINANCIAL IMPACT:** X Operating □ Capital □ Not applicable □ Revenue

Fiscal Year: 2016-2017	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget Encumbered / Expended Amount			
This item	\$92,662.80		\$92,662.80

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Fund(s):

BALANCE

Comments: None

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance to execute all documents necessary to accept the grant and appropriate the funds in the amount of \$92,662.80

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- 1) Ordinance
- 2) Contract