

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting February 18, 2020 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting February 25, 2020

DATE: January 13, 2020

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Acceptance of a grant for \$10,000 from The Hartford to support fire safety education efforts and programming

CAPTION:

Ordinance accepting a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from The Hartford to be used to support fire safety education efforts and programming; and appropriating the funds into the FY2020 Fire Grant Fund.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to accept and appropriate one grant totaling \$10,000 from The Hartford. The grant funds will support fire safety education efforts and programming.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

On November 22, 2019, the Corpus Christi Fire Department (CCFD) was awarded a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from The Hartford. The Hartford is an insurance company headquartered in Hartford, Connecticut. The Hartford's fire safety grant program, the Junior Fire Marshal program, began in 1947 and has since deputized more than 110 million Junior Fire Marshals.

In 2017, The Hartford released The Hartford Home Fire Index, which ranks the top 100 cities in the U.S. based on their risk of home fires. As a result of the study, The Hartford made a pledge to donate \$10,000 to both the public-school districts and local fire departments in each of the 100 cities.

Due to the City's #97 ranking in The Hartford's Home Fire Index, the CCFD has been awarded \$10,000 to support fire safety education efforts and programming. The Hartford grant fund uses include, but are not limited to, fire safety awareness and education within the community and local schools.

ALTERNATIVES:

Reject grant award and seek alternative funding.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Accepting \$10,000 grant award from The Hartford and appropriating \$10,000 to the FY2020 Fire Grant Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1062 – Fire Grant Fund Organization/Activity: 840019L

Mission Element: Project # (CIP Only): Account: 520090

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance to accept and appropriate grant award totaling \$10,000.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance Award Letter