



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting 10/19/2021

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Acceptance of a grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Corpus Christi Fire Department WebEOC Operations

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a \$15,000 grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Corpus Christi Fire Department Web Emergency Operations Center operations; and appropriating \$15,000 into the Fire Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$15,000 from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council. This grant helps to fund the annual cost of the operations for the Web Emergency Operations Center system.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Fire Department (CCFD) was awarded a grant of \$15,000 from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council (CBRAC). CBRAC has awarded grant funding to the CCFD's Emergency Management Division for the last 15 years. The grant funding will be used for the Web Emergency Operations Center (WebEOC) annual maintenance cost of approximately \$10,000. The remaining funding will be used for emergency management operations. Last year, CCFD received \$15,000 for this grant.

The WebEOC system is a web-based crisis management system that is used to improve coordination and communication efforts while planning, responding to, or recovering from man-made or natural disasters. The WebEOC system allows the City to track residents that are transported by the City to emergency shelters in other cities. City departments also utilize the system to request resources from the State during an emergency event. All City departments store their emergency operation plans on the WebEOC system and enter their daily operations during a disaster event.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative to accepting the grant is to find other funding for the WebEOC system, which will leave the City financially responsible for the functions and maintenance of the system until other

sources of funding are found.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$15,000 and appropriating \$15,000 to the Fire Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1062	Fire Grants
Organization/Activity:	820555L	CBRAC-WebEOC 21-22
Mission Element:	888	Revenue
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	340000	Contributions & Donations
Amount:	\$15,000.00	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council authorize the ordinance accepting and appropriating the CBRAC grant of \$15,000 in order to continue WebEOC operations.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance