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Council Action and Executive Summary

Item # 4 Ordinance/Resolution# 10-277 Council District:

For Meeting of May 17, 2010
(Adoption Date)

TITLE:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION \$80,000 TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, FY2010 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT, WITH A 20% CASH MATCH OF \$20,000.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION: To seek approval for the Fire Department to apply for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant for \$80,000 to purchase and install five (5) extractors; and five (5) disinfection sinks and to provide \$20,000 in matching funds to the project.

Name of Drafter: Maria J. Nape		Department: Finance/GAO		Phone: 541-2104	
Department	Signature	Phone	Department	Signature	Phone
Fire Department	<i>Maria J. Nape</i>	541-2592	Budget	<i>Richard G. ...</i>	541-2107
GAO	<i>[Signature]</i>		Assistant City Manager	<i>[Signature]</i>	541-2271
Legal	<i>[Signature]</i>	541-2128	City Manager	<i>[Signature]</i>	541-2076

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: The 2010 Assistance to Firefighters Grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/FEMA aids fire departments in obtaining equipment such as protective gear, emergency vehicles and other resources. The Fire Department is applying for the funds in order to purchase and install equipment under the Operations & Safety Program, specifically, five (5) extractors which are commercial washing machines used to wash turnout gear and decontaminate uniforms; and five (5) disinfection sinks, which allow firefighters to wash hands prior to entering station after going on calls and disinfect EMS equipment outside of the living quarters. The total cost for the project is \$100,000, and includes equipment purchase and installation. The grant will pay for 80% of the project cost, or \$80,000. A 20%, or \$20,000, cash match is required for this program, which will be paid from the Fire Department budget and will not affect the General Fund.

The Las Cruces Fire Department was funded for this program in 2009 for over \$83,000 for the purchase of six (6) automatic electronic defibrillators.

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

Fund Name / Account Number	Amount of Expenditure	Budget Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit "A" - Grant Overview Worksheet

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Resolution to grant approval to the Fire Department to apply for \$80,000 in grant funds from FEMA and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and contribute \$20,000 to the project .
2. Deny the Resolution. No application will be submitted, and the extractors and disinfection sinks will not be purchased.
3. Vote to "POSTPONE" the Resolution and direct staff to pursue other options.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-277

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The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, the City of Las Cruces is committed to providing equipment and facilities that provide for the safe operation of the Fire Department and protection of its firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency, Assistance to Firefighters Office is focused on firefighter life and safety as well as the safety of the public the firefighters serve; and

WHEREAS, the Assistance to Firefighters Office has announced its FY2010 competitive grant opportunity to aid fire departments in obtaining equipment such as protective gear and other resources; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Fire Department is requesting authorization to apply for a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/FEMA - Assistance to Firefighters Office for \$80,000 with a \$20,000 cash match required to purchase five (5) extractors and five (5) disinfection sinks; and

WHEREAS, the extractors are commercial washing machines used to wash turnout gear and decontaminate uniforms; and the disinfection sinks allow

firefighters to wash hands prior to entering station after going on calls and disinfect EMS equipment outside of the living quarters; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Cruces:

(I)

THAT the Las Cruces Fire Department is authorized to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/FEMA for \$80,000 with a \$20,000 cash match; and

(II)

THAT these funds shall be used to fund the purchase and installation of five (5) extractors and five (5) disinfection sinks; and

(III)

THAT City staff is hereby authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above.

DONE AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2010.

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Moved by: _____

APPROVED:

Mayor

VOTE:

Mayor Miyagishima: _____

Councillor Silva: _____

Councillor Connor: _____

Councillor Pedroza: _____

Seconded by: _____

Councillor Small: _____

Councillor Sorg: _____

Councillor Thomas: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney

GRANT OVERVIEW WORKSHEET

Title of Grant Program: Assistance to Firefighters

Funding Organization: FEMA

Section Applying: Fire Department

Description of Proposed Project: Purchase and installation of extractor/washers and disinfection sinks for 5 fire stations

Strategic Plan	Goal:	Objective:	Strategic Plan:
Performance Budget	Goal:	Objective:	Strategic Plan:

- Existing City Programs/Efforts** (Ex: request for environmentally-friendly weed management. Parks and Recreation Section's existing budget and work activities include weed management)
- Expansion of Existing Program/Efforts** (Ex: request for advertising to increase public awareness of the Farmer's market. The advertising campaign will be an increase over current activities/budget)
- New Initiative, Not Budgeted** (Ex: request to implement a recreational activity that is currently not included in the City's recreations programs)

Project Maintenance *If the grant specifies that the project must be maintained/operated after the grant period ends, list the requirements:*

<\$100 per year

Amount Section anticipates requesting: \$80,000

Match Requirement (%) 20

Projected Match In-kind: 0
Match Source: Fire Dept. budget

Cash: \$20,000

Grant Application Due: 05/28/2010

Grant Duration (Months/years): 12 months

MOU or Joint Powers Agreement Required: No

Grant Collaborators (List other City Departments or Outside Agencies):
 None

Employees To Be Hired (number to be hired, full-time or part-time positions and 1 sentence job responsibilities):

None

GRANT OVERVIEW WORKSHEET

Grant Manager *(Responsible for contract, project operations, budget management, and reports as prescribed)*

Name: Russell Smith

Title: Battalion Chief

Phone: 528-4074

E-mail: rsmith@las-cruces.org

Submitted by: Fire Chief Travis Brown

Signature: Travis A. Brown

Date: 5/3/2010

Reviewed & Approved by:

Signature: _____

Date: