

March 25, 2004
Consent Agenda Item #11.3
Assistance to Firefighters Grant

To: Tom Brymer, City Manager

From: David Giordano, Director of Fire Department

Agenda Caption: Presentation, discussion and possible action on a resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to coordinate with the Office of Domestic Preparedness of the Department of Homeland Security in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration in application for a matching funds grants under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Programs.

Recommendation(s): Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

Summary: This is the fourth year of funding for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. The College Station Fire Department has been successful in obtaining grants under this program for the past three years.

Congress appropriated \$750 million for this program. The Office of Domestic Preparedness has until September 30, 2004, to expend approximately 50% of this total and must obligate the remaining funds by September 30, 2005.

As in the past, a thirty-day window has been allotted for application for Assistance to Firefighters Grants. Submittal deadline is April 02, 2004.

Total grant for emergency medical service enhancement is \$134,538. The City of College Station 30% match is \$40,368.

Budget & Financial Summary: A service level adjustment will be submitted in the upcoming FY 05 budget process for the necessary matching funds.

If our application does not successfully negotiate the competitive review process the City will have no financial commitment.

Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS, APPROVING GRANT APPLICATIONS WITH THE OFFICE OF DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. FIRE ADMINISTRATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Office of Domestic Preparedness receives and administers grant funds under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, 44 CFR Part 152, for the purpose of making funds available for local projects that qualify under the list of eligible categories; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of College Station desires to apply for an Assistance to Firefighters Act grant for acquisition of equipment that will enhance emergency medical service delivery to citizens, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City Council hereby approves the grant application for \$94,192.00.

PART 2: That the City Council hereby agrees to provide the local match contribution of \$40,368.00

PART 3: That the City Council hereby authorizes and designates the Fire Chief for the City of College Station Fire Department to sign agreements with the Office of Domestic Preparedness for this grant on behalf of the City of College Station.

PART 4: That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2004.

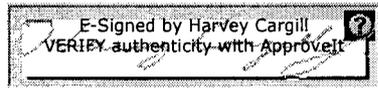
ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CONNIE HOOKS, City Secretary

RON SILVIA, Mayor

APPROVED:



City Attorney