



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sean P. Toomey, Deputy Fire Chief
DATE: April 22, 2016
SUBJECT: State Homeland Security Exercise Funds Award

Recommendation

Accept and appropriate the amount of twenty-nine thousand eight hundred eighty dollars (\$29,880) of grant funding provided through the New Hampshire Department of Safety Homeland Security and Emergency Management Exercise and Evaluation Program. Said funding to be used for exercises designed to assess and evaluate the Fire Department's response to an active shooter.

Background

The Concord Fire Department continues to train on active shooter incidents.

The Fire Department and Police Department have been conducting joint classroom sessions on active shooter incidents. The Fire Department has been training on the Rescue Task Force concept which places Fire Department personnel in the warm zone with appropriate personal protective equipment to provide a more immediate medical response to victims.

The intention of conducting this training is to further exercise the Rescue Task Force concept.

Discussion

The New Hampshire Department of Safety Homeland Security and Emergency Management Exercise and Evaluation Program have approved the Department's grant application and have set aside grant funds in the amount of \$29,880 for the Department to conduct an exercise. This grant funding will cover overtime expenses for personnel as well as backfill, supplies, evaluators, food supplies, and other incidentals that may occur with conducting such an exercise. There is no requirement for any matching city funds to be obligated for this training exercise, and it is anticipated that no city funds will be utilized.