

CITY OF CONCORD

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Guy T. Newbery, Interim Fire Chief

DATE: April 10, 2020

SUBJECT: Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant Program Appropriation

Recommendation

Through the City Manager, authorize the Fire Department to apply for, accept, and appropriate \$117,000 in unmatched grant funding through the FY2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant Program through the New Hampshire Department of Justice.

Background

The Department of Justice has made available funding through the FY2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant Program. This funding is designated to be utilized to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. Funding may be utilized for projects and purchases to include, but not limited to, overtime, equipment, supplies, training, and travel expenses. There is no match required from the City to receive this funding.

Discussion

This grant will allow for the Concord Fire Department to purchase equipment and supplies necessary for response to a long-term pandemic. This equipment predominantly will consist of personal protective equipment for Department personnel as well as disinfecting and sanitizing agents for equipment and work areas. Additionally, funding will also be used for overtime expenses associated with staffing an additional ambulance that is equipped with high-level PPE and decontamination equipment. It is recommended that the City Council accept and appropriate this grant funding provided through the Department of Justice – FY2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant Program.