

# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Daniel L. Andrus, Fire Chief

**DATE:** March 26, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Report to Council on a De Minimus Grant Request for Funding for

an Emergency Operations Center Workshop Training

## Recommendation

Accept and appropriate the amount of eight hundred sixty six dollars (\$866) of grant funding provided through the New Hampshire Department of Safety Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Grant Program for funding an exercise for an Emergency Operations Center workshop.

## **Background**

Following the approval and adoption of the City's Local Emergency Operations Plan in 2015, an exercise and training program was established to assure that the City's senior leadership team and other employees remain proficient in managing operations for major emergencies. In 2017, staff members from the New Hampshire Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management facilitated an exercise for City department heads on responding to disruption in service from a major utility. One of the Fire Department's budget goals for the current fiscal year is to have an exercise on emergency operations center activities. The staff from Homeland Security are planning on conducting a workshop on June 19, 2018 for the City leadership team as well as the Fire Department members who are eligible to staff the center during a major emergency. The grant funds overtime and backfill for members to participate in that training.

## **Discussion**

The Fire Department will continue to advise the City Council on any developments pertaining to this workshop.