



CITY OF CONCORD

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Mark Hebert, Deputy Fire Chief

DATE: January 10, 2023

SUBJECT: A report from the Deputy Fire Chief of Operations to accompany a resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to apply for an expected FEMA Homeland Security Grant Program grant (\$6,400) that requires no City match to provide funding for the Fire and Police Department command staff to hold a joint active shooter table-top exercise.

Recommendation

The Fire Department requests that the City Council accept this report.

Background

Discussion with administrative staff and the State of NH has found that an exercise would be beneficial to both the Fire and Police departments. This purpose of the grant is to address exercise and training with a focus on the command-level staff of active shooter events.

Discussion

The City of Concord Fire Department and Concord Police Departments have trained on active threat events in the past few months. The hands-on training was conducted for Concord Firefighters and Concord Police Officers with an emphasis on skills enhancement. A table-top exercise would be beneficial to work on the incident management of these incidents. These incidents are complex, stressful, and require substantial coordination between the two departments.