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## **REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM:** Bradley C. Osgood – Chief of Police

**DATE:** May 17, 2018

**SUBJECT:** FY 2018 State Homeland Security Exercise Funds Application

### **Recommendation**

Through the City Manager, authorize the Police Department to apply for grant funding through the New Hampshire Department of Safety - Homeland Security and Emergency Management Exercise and Evaluation Program. Said funding to be used to create an exercise designed to assess and evaluate the Police Department's response to a critical incident/active shooter located at Merrimack Valley High School.

### **Background**

The Concord Police Department continues discussions with the Merrimack Valley School District regarding the potential threat of a critical incident/active shooter in their environment. The Police Department works closely with the school district in providing training for these types of incidents to include the expected response of school district personnel as well as how law enforcement intends to respond.

The New Hampshire Department of Safety – Homeland Security and Emergency Management Exercise and Evaluation Program has funding available to conduct critical incident/active shooter training exercises.

The intention of conducting a drill is to exercise the response and evaluate the deficiencies and shortcomings that present during the training scenario. It also exercises interoperability between law enforcement, emergency services, and civilian staff.

### **Discussion**

This grant will allow for the Concord Police Department to fund costs associated with conducting a large scale exercise. Overtime expenses for personnel, supplies, evaluators and food expenses are just a few of the items that will be funded under this grant program. 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. The exercise is currently planned to occur during the fall of 2018.