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FIRE DEPARTMENT

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Daniel L. Andrus, Fire Chief

DATE: June 25, 2019

SUBJECT: A Report to accompany a resolution authorizing the City Manager or

his designee to apply for grant funding in the amount of Six Thousand

Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500) through the New Hampshire

Department of Safety Emergency Management Performance Grant Program for the purpose of developing a Continuity of Operations

Plan, and appropriating funds awarded for this purpose.

Recommendation

Accept this report and approve the resolution as stated above.

Background

The New Hampshire Department of Safety makes grant funding available to local jurisdictions through its Emergency Management Performance Grant Program for technical assistance to complete a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP). This plan would address the provision of essential government services in the event of a major disaster or other condition that would normally disrupt such services.

The grant does not require a financial match from the City. A "soft match" is required, consisting of an in-kind contribution of labor hours from City employees working on the project team.

The continuity of operations plan is a budget goal for the Fire Department in FY20 and will mark a major step forward in emergency preparedness.

Discussion

The Fire Department will continue to provide regular updates to the City Administration on the progress of this grant application and continuity of operations planning.