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Date: May 13, 2024

To: Seguin City Council

Steve Parker, City Manager

From: Kathy I. Wood, Grants Administrator

Subject: City Council Ratification of a Grant Submission

The Department of Homeland Security has a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FY23 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant program. In response to this grant opportunity, the fire department is requesting 6 additional firefighters. These additional positions will be used to reduce overtime for current staff and to anticipate future staffing needs at a potential new fire station north of I-10. Current response times are not in compliance with NFPA 1710 standards. With the addition of these firefighters the department will be able to comply with NFPA 1710 response times on 90% or more calls.

We are requesting a total amount of \$1,656,261.90 for 6 firefighters over a term of 3 years. There is no required City match for this grant. If awarded, this grant would start in October 2024 and term August 2027. The anticipated award notification date is July 2024.

Staff requests approval of the resolution to submit with the grant application.