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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council members

Steve Parker, City Manager

FROM: Kate McCloud, Grants Administrator

DATE: November 27, 2024

RE: Resolution to submit application for Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is currently accepting applications for the 2025-2026 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated emergency medical service (EMS) organizations, and State Fire Training Academies (SFTAs) for critical training and equipment. The goals of this program are to provide critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience.

City staff would like to submit an application to this program for funding towards 4 LIFEPAK monitors/defibrillators. LIFEPAK monitors are essential for fire departments, providing advanced tools for monitoring and treating cardiac emergencies. These devices combine real-time heart monitoring with lifesaving defibrillation capabilities, enabling first responders to act quickly during cardiac arrests. The estimated cost for these pieces of equipment, with shipping and handling, is \$263,839.

There is a 10% cost match funds required for this grant. Grant awards are expected to be announced in the fall of 2025. If the City is awarded this grant, the project could begin as early as winter of 2025.

Thank you for your consideration.