

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM

Acceptance of AFG

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

Fire Department

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Killeen Fire Department applied for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) on January 15, 2016, for four types of equipment: decontamination systems, replacement radios, exhaust removal system, and replacement SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) equipment. The AFG is a program administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) This is a competitive grant program that was created to provide funding directly to fire departments for critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience. The Killeen Fire Department was awarded a portion of the 2015 AFG on July 8, 2016, in the amount of \$486,000 for the replacement of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units applied for with-in the grant application.

Staff applied for an amendment to the awarded amount on July 15, 2016 and was awarded the amended FEMA share amount of \$572,449 on August 5, 2016. The grantee is required to match ten percent of the Federal share funding.

DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION

The City of Killeen Fire Department has been awarded the 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) in the amount of \$572,449, to fund eighty-one (81) replacement SCBA units. The performance period for this grant is June 29, 2016, to June 28, 2017. Acceptance of this AFG award will help the Killeen Fire Department to meet any necessary regulated standards and stay up with technology to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of service to the citizens of Killeen while fulfilling the City's 2030 vision plan.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Department of Homeland Security has awarded the Killeen Fire Department \$572,449 to be used for the purchase of SCBA replacement units. The City of Killeen is responsible for a ten-percent cost-share based off of the Federally-funded amount in the amount of \$56,435. The cost-share amount would be budgeted in the Killeen Fire Department's FY 2017 Capital Outlay Equipment account 010-7070-442.61-35.

The chart below shows the cost breakdown for the awarded 2015 AFG.

Funded Equipment	Awarded Total	Federal Share	Applicant Share (10% cost match)
81 SCBA Units	\$682,884	\$572,449	\$56,435

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the City Council approve this resolution accepting the 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant award in the amount of \$572,449 ratify and adopt all assurances, statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements incorporated into the grant agreement, and acknowledge its commitment to secure appropriate financial support for the Killeen Fire Department's cost-sharing obligations of \$56,435 in the FY 2017 budget.