

Legislation Text

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2017 Homeland Security Grant Program

Action:

- A. Authorize the Charlotte Homeland Security Director (Charlotte Fire Chief) to accept a grant for \$160,000 from the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Office of the North Carolina Emergency Management received through the United States Department of Homeland Security 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program, and**
- B. Adopt a budget ordinance appropriating \$160,000 in Homeland Security Grant Program funds.**

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- The 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program allowed eligible applicants to apply for funding through the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Office of the North Carolina Emergency Management to aid in the prevention, protection, response, and recovery from potential terrorist and other hazardous or catastrophic events.
- The Charlotte Fire Department will use the grant funds to teach a 10-day structural collapse training course for responding agencies in the Charlotte Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) region and six other metro areas in the state of North Carolina (Asheville/Buncombe County, Greensboro, Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill, Fayetteville, Greenville/New Bern, and Wilmington/New Hanover County).
 - Expenses will include tuition for 81 students, compensation for 20 instructors, the purchase of meals for those attending, and the purchase of needed supplies for the training.
 - Instructors for the course will be both external (Greensboro Fire Department and North Carolina Emergency Management Personnel) and internal. Internal instructors will be off-duty and paid as adjunct instructors so as not to supplant any pre-existing local funds with federal funds.
- The City of Charlotte has received funding sporadically for this training course since 2002 and will continue to receive this funding in the future on an as-needed basis determined by the North Carolina Department of Public Safety.
- No City matching funds are required for receipt of this grant.

Fiscal Note

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Attachment(s)

Memorandum of Agreement
Budget Ordinance