



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Charles Hood, Fire Chief

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to accept an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) in the amount of \$1,217,391.30 for the purchase of a Fire Platform truck. A required cash match of \$182,60.70 was authorized in the FY 2023 General Fund Budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations.

On November 8, 2021, FEMA opened the 2021 AFG application process with a deadline of December 17, 2021 to apply for these funds. The City of San Antonio Fire Department applied to fund a platform ladder truck and on April 14, 2023, the City received an award letter.

As part of the FY 2023 Adopted Budget, funding was added for a new ladder company for Fire

Station 45 that included 15 new additional firefighter positions and the City's match to the AFG Grant. The ladder truck has been ordered.

ISSUE:

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to accept an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) in the amount of \$1,217,391.30 for the purchase of a Fire Platform truck. A required cash match of \$182,60.70 was authorized in the FY 2023 General Fund Budget. This ordinance also authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute any and all necessary document to effectuate this grant.

ALTERNATIVES:

No alternatives.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance will accept grant funds in the amount of \$1,217,391.30 from the 2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG). The City's grant match of \$182,608.70 was included in the FY 2023 General Fund Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance to accept grant funds from the 2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG).