城邦的亚历山大

备忘录

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收件人: 市长及市议会成员

发件人: 城市经理

主题: 提交消防员援助基金申请

申请向美国国土安全部提交消防员援助基金申请，用于资助部署在消防站208 - 175北帕克森街的洒水系统。

问题: 市议会审议一项金额为100,000美元的赠款申请，该款由美国国土安全部的消防员援助基金提供，旨在资助消防站208的洒水系统安装。

推荐: 市议会同意:

1. 批准提交总额为100,000美元的电子版申请至美国国土安全部，用于资助消防站208的消防喷淋系统安装；

2. 授权城市经理签署所有必要的文件。

背景: 消防员援助基金是一项直接向消防部门及非关联的EMS组织提供援助的项目，用于提高其保护公众健康和安全的能力，以及其人员在面对由火灾引起的危险时，保持其救援能力。该赠款项目包含两大主要项目：(1) 消防运作和消防员安全项目；(2) 车辆采购项目。在消防运作和消防员安全项目中，有五种不同的活动可用作资助，包括培训活动、健康和健身活动、消防装备采购、个人防护装备采购，以及消防站和设施的改造。这些赠款是在竞争的基础上，根据消防部门的财务需求，以及它们如何利用这些资金来提高其消防员的安全性。

讨论: 与其它管辖地不同，消防部门的一个主要问题是紧急救援人员的安全。几年前，一个相邻的志愿消防站因火灾而被摧毁，消防人员通过窗户逃离。在那次事件之后，亚历山大消防局长请求市议会的执法局工作人员，评估城市消防站的安全性。评估结果表明，如果消防站208建在今天，它将不符合目前的消防标准。
Built in 1976, Fire Station 208 is a two-story, 13,920 square foot facility located at 175 North Paxton Street, which currently houses a frontline engine company, aerial ladder truck company and an Advanced Life Support (ALS) medic unit. The units that operate out of this station answer the most calls per year of any fire station in the City, or 16 percent of the total departmental calls. Last year, the units housed at this station responded to over 2,800 calls, including over 1,400 emergency medical calls, over 190 fire calls and over 120 mutual aid responses.

Currently, there is no fire sprinkler system in this station. The station is configured with sleeping quarters adjacent to the apparatus bays, which historically, is the most likely area in the station for a fire to start, because the fuel and fire apparatus are stored in that location. In addition to the potentially hazardous location of the bedrooms, there is no second means of egress in the sleeping quarters. By Code, the windows in the sleeping quarters are too small to be considered a viable emergency exit in the event of a fire. Replacement of the windows in order to bring them up to code would require major modifications to the building and would be very costly. In the event of a fire, a sprinkler system becomes a good defense against fire. The sprinkler system will help to extinguish the fire or prevent the fire from spreading, providing emergency personnel at the station time to move to safety.

It should be noted that many of the City’s fire stations are in need of renovation. We expect the final consultant report on fire station locations to address other needed fire station renovations. Staff will be developing a work plan to address renovation issues in the context of the FY 2008 budget.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The City hired an engineer to evaluate the building and estimate the cost to install a sprinkler system. The engineer recommended that the department purchase a wet/dry sprinkler system with a fire alarm component that would meet National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards. The initial cost estimate for the system was $100,000. This grant application is in the amount of $100,000 and will provide for the purchase and installation of a wet/dry sprinkler system at FS 208. The federal share of the grant would be $80,000, or 80 percent of the total, and the City share would be $20,000, or 20 percent. The Fire Department would propose using funds currently budgeted in the Approved FY 2006 - FY 2011 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for fire station renovations, currently budgeted at $225,000 annually, to cover the City share of this grant.

In addition, the City is also responsible for normal administrative costs associated with this grant, including financial and reporting oversight to be provided by the Fire Department, as well as the Office of Management and Budget and the Finance Department.

The Fire Department has electronically submitted the grant application in order to meet the deadline of April 7, 2006, with the understanding that subsequent City Council approval would be required to accept this grant award.
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