

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

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TO:

JIM GRAY, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM:

IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE:

MAY 15, 2014

SUBJECT:

REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY UNDER THE 2014 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM, REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$84,600 FOR PURCHASE OF TRAINING PROPS

FOR TRAINING ACADEMY UPGRADE

The Division of Fire and Emergency Services has prepared an application for submission to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the 2014 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, requesting federal funds for purchase and installation of two natural gas fueled vehicle fire training props. Federal funding in the amount of \$84,600 is being requested. A 10% local match (\$9,400) is required. Total project cost is \$94,000. Match has been requested in the 2015 General Fund budget.

This equipment will improve training, providing firefighters with realistic simulations of a variety of vehicle fires and at the same time improve training safety.

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant is a program of the National Preparedness Directorate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Grants are awarded to fire departments to enhance their ability to protect the public and fire service personnel from fire and related hazards.

Council authorization to submit the application is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Clay Mason, Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety