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TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR

**URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL** 

FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Accept funds from the 2020 State Homeland Security Grant Program

for the Division of Fire and Emergency Services

**Request:** Council authorization to accept \$9,070 in funding from the 2020 Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Grant, which will fund the purchase of Blackline Multi-gas monitors and Calibration equipment for the Division of Fire and Emergency Services' Special Operations Teams. No matching funds required.

**Purpose of Request:** The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security has awarded the Division of Fire and Emergency Services \$9,070.00 of federal funding from the Fiscal Year 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program. This federally funded program, originating from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, provides financial assistance to the states to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism.

The Special Operations Team, for the purpose of detection and prevention of CBRNE, WMD, and all hazard incidents, will utilize the Blackline multi-gas monitoring equipment. The monitoring equipment will be assigned to the Lexington Fire Department's Special Operations Bureau over Haz-Mat and Rescue.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$9,070 in federal funds has been awarded for FY2024. No matching funds are required. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

**Are the funds budgeted?** Budget amendment is in process.

**File Number:** 1027-23

**Director/Commissioner:** Wells/Armstrong

