



**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: JUNE 27, 2017

**SUBJECT: 2016 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for Division of Fire and
Emergency Services**

Request: Request Council authorization to accept award of federal funds in the amount of \$252,210 from U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the 2016 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the Community Paramedic Pilot Program, the acceptance of which obligated the Urban County Government for the expenditure of \$29,596 as a local match, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the grant budget.

Why are you requesting? On December 1, 2016 (Resolution No. 701-2016), Council approved submission of grant application requesting federal funds under the 2016 Assistance of Firefighters Grant Program. The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire-related hazards by providing direct financial assistance to eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated Emergency Medical Services (EMS) organizations, and State Fire Training Academies (SFTA) for critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operations efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience.

LFUCG has been offered federal funds in the amount of \$252,210 for the Community Paramedic Pilot Program. Costs include the salaries and training costs for national certification of four personnel as Community Paramedics.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? The cost for FY 2018 is \$281,806 (\$252,210 in federal funds and \$29,596 in local match). There are no anticipated costs in future fiscal years.

Are the funds budgeted? FY18 Budget Amendments are in process. Grant match is budgeted in fund 1101-505702-5717-78201 (FY17).

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Director/Commissioner: Chilton/Bastin

