



**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2024

SUBJECT: U.S. Department of Homeland Security Grant Application No. 3 under the 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for Division of Fire and Emergency Services

Request: Council authorization to submit an application and accept if offered to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program requesting federal funding in the amount of \$500,000 to add PPE (Physical Protective Equipment) and replacement of two brush trucks for our Wildland Task Force.

Purpose of Request The support and expansion of a Wildland Task Force is a high priority per the 2023 AFG Notice of Funding Opportunity. This AFG priority aligns well with our current departmental needs to outfit our Wildland Task Force members with PPE and replacement of our (2) brush trucks. Overall, this program will allow us to better support our members and our preparedness to serve our community and our neighbors.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? If the grant is approved, federal funds in the amount of \$500,000 will be awarded, requiring a 10% match of \$50,000

Are the funds budgeted? A budget amendment will be completed if approved.

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Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong

