

Wilmington, Delaware
June 20, 2019

#4676

Sponsor:

Council
Member
Williams

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Fire Department, applied for a pass-through grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") which will be awarded to the State of Delaware and administered by the Delaware Emergency Management Agency ("DEMA") in the amount of \$108,700; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department intends to use the grant money to purchase a vessel mounted radiation detection system, and

WHEREAS, the radiation detection system would enhance the safety of the personnel and patients on board the vessel by alerting to a potential radioactive source; and

WHEREAS, the radiation detection system would also enhance the vessel capabilities by alerting the crew of a radiation source on or nearby the water during an environmental release; and

WHEREAS, the radiation detection system is designed to detect the movement of nuclear material used for weapons of mass destruction or a radiological dispersal device and would be able to interrogate and categorize the source as either innocent, suspicious or a threat; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Wilmington Fire Department's grant application to FEMA and DEMA in the amount of \$108,700 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief of the Wilmington Fire Department, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Fire Department's application for a grant from FEMA in the amount of \$108,700. The grant will enable the City to obtain a vessel-mounted radiation detection system which will increase the safety of passengers and will also be able to identify potential weapons of mass destruction.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact on the City as no local matching funds are required.