

Wilmington, Delaware  
July 1, 2019

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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 Office of Emergency Management, applied for the 2019 Homeland Security Grant Program grant ("HSGP"), a pass-through grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") which will be awarded to the State of Delaware ("SOD") and administered by the Delaware Emergency Management Agency ("DEMA") in the amount of \$26,600; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Emergency Management intends to use the grant money to assist in preventing terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare the Nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States, and

**WHEREAS**, the HSGP program plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System. The program supports the building, sustainment and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Emergency Management will be using the grant monies to fund two separate projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Emergency Management will use \$14,000 of the grant monies to purchase two APX 8000HXE All-Band Radios that will increase communications interoperability with local, State, and Federal agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Emergency Management will use \$12,600 of the grant monies to contract with a vendor to provide Cyber Security training to employees throughout City government; and

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

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON** that the Office of Emergency Management's grant application to FEMA/SOD/DEMA in the amount of \$26,600 is hereby authorized.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, 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 Office of Emergency Management's application for a grant from FEMA/SOD/DEMA in the amount of \$26,600. The grant will enable the City to upgrade communications interoperability with local, State, and Federal agencies, and to provide Cyber Security Training to City Employees.

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