



FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Mr. Joe Pieper, Chairman
Finance Committee
1011 W. Glenn Drive
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**SUBJECT: REQUEST OF FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVAL
FOR THE PURCHASE OF EMS EQUIPMENT FROM THE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FUND**

Dear Chairman Pieper:

The Department is seeking authorization from the Finance Committee to spend up to \$7,000 from the Emergency Medical Assistance Fund (0814) for the purchase of emergency medical equipment.

The Emergency Medical Assistance Fund currently has a balance of \$9,678.72. The monies in this fund were established through donations to the Fire Department for purchasing equipment and services supporting the providing of EMS services to the community. The requested amount of \$7,000 would be used for the purchase of trauma kits to be used by the Department when faced with incidents resulting in multiple traumatic injuries.

The Police and Fire Departments are currently working together to update and refine our policies and procedures when responding to incidents involving active shooters. The trauma kits would be an integral part of the plan in rendering emergency care to victims in an active shooter situation. The kits would also be a valuable asset in dealing with industrial accidents and provide the Department with better resources in the treatment and care of patients with penetrating wounds.

A representative from the Fire Department will be present at the meeting to provide additional information or answer additional questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Steve Howard, Acting Chief

cc: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator
Rich Abbott, Finance Director

