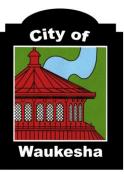
CITY OF WAUKESHA



Committee :	Date :
Finance	8/10/2021
Common Council Item Number:	Date:
ID# 21-2680	8/17/2021
Submitted By:	City Administrator Approval:
Steve Howard, Fire Chief SH	Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
Finance Department Review: Bridget Souffrant, Finance Director Denise Vandenbush-Kohlmann DVK	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BR

Subject:

Review and Act on acceptance of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) in the amount of \$62,363.64 for Fire Department personnel training.

Details:

The City of Waukesha Fire Department is requesting the Finance Committee and Common Council approve the application for, and the acceptance of, grant funding received through the Assistance of Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) administered through FEMA. The grant award is for \$62,363.64, with a minimum match of 10%. (\$6,236.36). Totaling \$68,600.

The funding will be used by the Fire Department to cover the cost of providing an Incident Safety Officer (ISO) certification class for the fire department officers and aspiring officers. The 40-hour, weeklong class will be provided in the City of Waukesha at two different times to allow all members to attend while off duty, (up to 30 students at each session) at \$7,000 per session.

In addition, the funding will be used for the cost of overtime and backfill for WFD personnel attending the ISO class. This is based on 35 employees from WFD attending the 40-hour class based on an average rate of 339.00. $1,400 \times 339 = 554,600$.

The 40-hour class will be offered at the City of Waukesha Fire Department and per the grant award any open seats will be offered at no charge to the area Fire Departments that are part of the MABAS mutual aid system used in Wisconsin. At the completion of the ISO class all students will sit for the Pro Board ISO certification, that will be also provided as part of the grant requirements. $2 \times $7,000 = $14,000$.

Options & Alternatives:

The Finance Committee could choose not to approve this request accepting the grant; however, we would still have a need for our officers to receive this training and certification. We would then have to provide the training over time utilizing alternative training funds.

Financial Remarks:

2210-42350 - Revenue \$62,363.64 2210-53250 - Expense \$62,363.64

Executive Recommendation:

The City Administrator is in support of accepting this grant.

