



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds Awarded to Hampton Division of Fire & Rescue by the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services Grant Program known as the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund with Matching Funds from the Hampton Division of Fire & Rescue's Fiscal Year 2018 Budget.

### **BACKGROUND/PURPOSE:**

The Commonwealth of Virginia created the Virginia Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) for the purpose of providing financial assistance to emergency medical services organizations in the Commonwealth by providing the requisite training for emergency medical services personnel and for purchasing equipment needed by such organizations. The RSAF shall only be used for specific items, service, or programs for which they are awarded and in accordance with any conditions placed upon the grant award. Sale, trade, transfer, or disposal, within five (5) years of vehicles or items specified by the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services (VOEMS) in the notice of award purchased in whole or on part with the use of state moneys requires prior approval by the VOEMS. Funds shall not be used for expenditures or commitments made before the date of the grant award or after the conclusion of the grant period. The grant award amount is \$23,970, and requires a match of the same amount, to be funded from the Hampton Division of Fire & Rescue's (HDFR) FY 18 Operating Budget.

### **Discussion:**

The Financial Assistance for Emergency Medical Services Grants Program, known as the RSAF Grant Program is a multi-million dollar grant program for Virginia non-profit EMS agencies and organizations. Items eligible for funding include EMS equipment and vehicles, computers, EMS management programs, courses/classes, EMS training equipment and projects benefiting the recruitment and retention of EMS members. This initiative supports the Community Plan 2011 Update Public Safety Goal 4 "Hampton public safety personnel will receive on-going comprehensive training in best practices" by providing Emergency Medical Technician training to new members. The current funds will be used to purchase six (6) ALSi Simulation Pro Sets for the Fire Training Center. An ALSi Pro Set is made up of mannequin parts built to simulate medical emergencies.

### **Impact:**

\$23,970 in grant funds; to be matched with an equal amount from the HDFR FY 18 Budget

### **Recommendation:**

Approve.

WHEREAS, the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services-Rescue Squad Assistance Fund has awarded the Hampton Division of Fire & Rescue ("HDFR") a Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant ("RSAF Grant") in the amount of \$29,370;

WHEREAS, the Grant requires that the City provide matching funds in the amount of \$23,970;

WHEREAS, the source of the \$23,970 match is the HDFR's fiscal year 2018 budget;

WHEREAS, the grant award covers the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Grant funds and matching funds will be used to purchase six (6) ALSi Simulation Pro Sets for the Fire Training Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia accepts and appropriates the RSAF Grant in the amount of \$23,970, and any supplemental funding, and approves the appropriation of matching funds from HDFR's fiscal year 2018 budget in the amount of \$23,970, for a total commitment of \$47,940.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia authorizes the City Manager, or her designee, to take the necessary actions to implement this grant award.