

Legislation Text

File #: 20-0219, Version: 1

Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2021 Council Approved Budget to Accept and Appropriate the 2020 Local Building Department Virtual Training Support Grant Awarded by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

Due to the Governor's orders of social distancing and gathering limits, the Virginia Building Code Academy is now providing certification and continuing education classes online. Recognizing that in order for localities to participate in training through virtual means, many localities may be in need of equipment necessary to attend online training.

Discussion:

The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is making funding available through the Virginia Code Academy for jurisdictional building departments to purchase equipment needed to attend required virtual certification training and continuing education. Eligible purchases include laptops, headsets, tablets, web cams, electronic subscriptions for codebooks or other equipment necessary to participate in remote training for Virginia required certification or continuing education. The funding will be used to purchase one (1) laptop computer (to include the Microsoft Office Suite) to use for virtual training and three (3) web cameras so that staff can access online training using various media.

Impact:

The City has been awarded \$1,980 with no local match required.

Recommendation:

Approve.

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has awarded the City of Hampton, Virginia (the "City") a 2020 Local Building Department Virtual Training Support Grant in the amount of \$1,980;

WHEREAS, the Local Building Department Virtual Training Support Grant award requires no local match;

WHEREAS, the Local Building Department Virtual Training Support Grant award, in the amount of \$1,980, will be used by the Community Development Department to purchase one (1) laptop computer (to include the Microsoft Office Suite) to use for virtual training and three (3) web cameras so that staff can access online training using various media; and

WHEREAS, the grant award is for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia hereby amends its Fiscal Year 2021 Council Approved Budget to accept and appropriate the Local Building Department Virtual Training Support Grant awarded by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development in the amount of \$1,980, and any supplemental funding, to the Grant Fund for the purpose of purchasing one (1) laptop computer (to include the Microsoft Office Suite) to use for virtual training and three (3) web cameras so that staff can access online training using various media in accordance with the grant agreement.

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