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APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT AND AUTHORIZING FIRE CHIEF TO EXECUTE GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, for the 2023 program year, Congress appropriated funds to the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) program to provide direct assistance to fire departments to fund support such as tools and resources necessary to protect the health and safety of firefighting personnel and the public; and

WHEREAS, AFG grant funds will be distributed directly to local fire departments on a competitive basis; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Fire Department has prepared a grant application for funding for the placement of diesel exhaust source capture systems at every apparatus bay in Fire Stations 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, to reduce the amount of diesel exhaust in the living and working quarters of these stations; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Fire Department is estimating a total project cost of \$591,286.30, and wishes to submit a grant request to the AFG program of \$532,157.67 with \$59,128.63 to be contributed by the City to meet the ten percent (10%) matching funds requirement; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief recommends that the City Council authorize this grant application for funding from the AFG Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. The Fire Chief or his designee are authorized to submit the above-described grant application on behalf of the City of Des Moines to FEMA for consideration of a \$532,157.67 grant with anticipated City match of \$59,128.63.
2. The Fire Chief is further authorized and directed to negotiate and execute a grant agreement on behalf of the City in the event that the City receives such grant award, at a cost to the City not to exceed \$59,128.63, subject to approval of the form of the agreement by the Legal Department.

(Council Communication No. 24-085)
Approved as to Form:
/s/ Glenna K. Frank
Glenna K. Frank, Assistant City Attorney

Moved by Gatto to approve.

Second by Voss.

	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	6			
MOTION CARRIED			APPROVED	

CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Connie Boesen Mayor

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk