

Legislation Text

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# AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT THE 2013 REALLOCATED GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY - RRT SUSTAINMENT GRANT #130810-03

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## Purpose and Recommended Action

This is a request for City Council to waive reading beyond the title and adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept the 2013 Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Grant Program Award of reallocated funds # 130810-03 in the approximate amount of \$12,391.

## Background

The City of Glendale has been able to leverage city funds with grant funds to enhance first responder preparedness. Grant funds have been used to purchase safety equipment to protect first responders, specialized equipment for technical operations, equipment to enhance communication efforts, and development of preparedness training to enhance prevention and intervention programs. The grant funds will be used for the Glendale Fire Rapid Response Team (RRT) program.

The mission of the RRT program is to respond to Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives (CBRNE) incidents utilizing fire, police and emergency operations personnel. The purpose of the RRT is to mitigate, render safe, and stop criminal acts as quickly as possible to prevent or minimize loss of life or serious physical injury to the public.

## <u>Analysis</u>

The fire department will be receiving \$12,391 in grant funds that will assist the RRT program. The funds will be used to purchase equipment and training for sustainment of the RRT program. The grant performance period is January 1, 2015 through July 31, 2015. If all documentation is not signed and received by AZDOHS on or before April 30, 2015, this award is rescinded and the funds will be reallocated.

## Previous Related Council Action

Council has accepted grants annually from the AZDOHS since 2003.

## Budget and Financial Impacts

There is no financial match required for this award. A specific project account will be established in Fund 1840, the city's grant fund, once the agreement is fully executed.