

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 14RISK CANCER PREVENTION AND SAFETY

SUBJECT

Adopt Ordinances Increasing Appropriations in the Risk Management Fund by \$1,305,000.00, with \$1,275,000.00 for a Transfer to Capital for Implementation of the Cancer Prevention Program and \$30,000.00 for Continued Implementation of the Active Shooter Program, and in the General Capital Projects Fund by \$1,275,000.00 from Transferred Funds (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Risk Management Fund in the amount of \$1,305,000.00, from use of fund balance, with \$30,000.00 for active shooter training and \$1,275,000.00 for a transfer to capital for cancer prevention programs; and
2. Adopt the attached ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the General Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$1,275,000.00, from a transfer from the Risk Management Fund, for cancer prevention programs.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication is to appropriate funding for the approved Cancer Prevention program and Active Shooter program.

On October 22, 2019 the Fire Department and Risk Management provided a briefing to Mayor and Council, on the proposed Cancer Prevention program and the associated funding. The program reinforces the need to provide training, offer forums for conversations, and encourage more research on cancers that specifically impact firefighters so proactive measures can be developed. The proposed funding will focus on fire gear and gear cleaning equipment to reduce firefighters' exposure to potential cancer causing elements.

This year alone, Workers' Compensation cost associated with Fire Department cancer claims has reached an approximate \$700,000.00. At this time, we have 37 firefighters in either treatment or remission.

Proposed Cancer Prevention Program Funding

Equipment	Total Funding	Justification
Extractor cleaners	\$180,000	Cleaning system set up in each district of City
SCBA Harness Washing System	\$25,000	Reduce risk of cross contamination and cleaning
Additional Structural Fire Gear	\$300,000	Additional gear to change out when contaminated
Nonstructural Firefighting Gear	\$460,000	Protective gear that has not been exposed to fire
Particulate Hoods	\$100,000	Reduce contaminate exposure to neck, etc.
Fire Gear Locker Covers	\$90,000	Fire gear cover to reduce risk of diesel exposure

Weatherproof Coats	\$90,000	Reduce use of fire gear inclement weather
Extrication Gloves	\$30,000	Reduce use of fire gloves in non-fire related cases
TOTAL	\$1,275,000	

Additionally, in line with the City's Active Shooter program implementation, the HR Risk Division will launch the citywide distribution of Bleeding Control Kits and the first phase of Door Guards hardware.

The Bleeding Control Kits provide users access to equipment which can help stop traumatic hemorrhaging in the event of an emergency.

The Door Guard equipment allows occupants to lockdown and secure an area from the inside against an active shooter. The equipment will not require structure modifications or maintenance.

Because the adopted budget ordinance provides delegated authority for budgeted transfers, separate authorization of the transfer is not required.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon the approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached supplemental appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the operating and capital budgets of the Risk Management Fund and the General Capital Projects Fund Risk Cancer Prevention Program project. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Risk Management Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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