

**Columbus Consolidated Government Council Meeting
Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Assistance to Firefighters Grant
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$1,489,341.90 or as otherwise awarded through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Funds will be requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to fund the purchase of 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors for the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. There is a 10% (\$135,394.73) matching funds requirement.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

Recommendation: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$1,489,341.90 or as otherwise awarded through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Funds will be requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to fund the purchase of 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors for the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. There is a 10% (\$135,394.73) matching funds requirement.

Background: Funds will be requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to fund the purchase of 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors for the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. The acquisition of these cardiac monitors will allow the department to replace its cache of LIFEPAK 15 cardiac monitors. This project is critical to ensure that our department remains at the forefront of prehospital emergency care, enhancing our capacity to respond to cardiac and other critical emergencies effectively. The upgrade aligns with our mission to safeguard the health and well-being of our community and ensures compliance with evolving medical standards. This initiative further supports the implementation of the Columbus Correct Care program focused on providing Muscogee County residents the right resources at the right time to support their medical needs for emergency and non-emergency care.

Analysis: Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services is requesting funds for the purchase of 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors to replace existing LIFEPAK 15 cardiac monitors.

Financial Considerations: The grant is for equipment amounting to a total of \$1,489,341.90, with a 10% matching funds (\$135,394.73) requirement.

Legal Considerations: The Consolidated Government of Columbus is eligible to receive these funds.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$1,489,341.90 or as otherwise awarded through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Funds will be requested from the Federal Emergency Management

Agency to fund the purchase of 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors for the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. There is a 10% (\$135,394.73) matching funds requirement.

**A RESOLUTION
NO.**

A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT IF AWARDED A GRANT FOR 26 LIFEPAK 35 CARDIAC MONITORS FOR COLUMBUS FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,489,341.90, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY WITH 10% MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED. THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND WILL BE AMENDED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CFEMS) is requesting approval to apply for and accept if awarded funds for 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors amounting to a total of \$1,489,341.90; and,

WHEREAS, the equipment requested in the grant proposal will be used to replace an existing cardiac monitors within Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services; and,

WHEREAS, these devices allow firefighters to track and display a patient's heart activity, providing critical information to firefighters about the cardiovascular system; and

WHEREAS, this grant proposal will require 10% matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HERBY RESOLVES:

- 1) That the City Manager is hereby authorized to approve the Assistance to Firefighters Grant application for 26 LIFEPAK 35 cardiac monitors for \$1,489,341.90 or as otherwise awarded with 10% matching funds required.
- 2) That the Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the _____ day of _____ 2024 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Chambers voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor Hickey voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor