

**Columbus Consolidated Government Council
Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Firehouse Subs Grant
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$18,400.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for the acquisition of twenty stationary bikes and to amend the multigovernmental fund by said amount. No matching funds are required.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

Recommendation: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$18,400.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for the acquisition of twenty stationary bikes and to amend the multigovernmental fund by said amount. No matching funds are required.

Background: Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CFEMS) is requesting funds from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to fund the purchase of twenty Rogue ECHO stationary bikes. The Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation grant will allow the Fire-EMS Department to acquire stationary bikes that would strengthen firefighter health, fitness, and operational readiness, resulting in a more resilient emergency response workforce.

Analysis: Improved cardiovascular fitness reduces the risk of line-of-duty injuries and cardiac events-the leading cause of firefighter fatalities-while enhancing endurance for physically demanding emergency operations. By helping firefighters maintain peak performance, the community benefits from safer, more effective emergency response, reduced downtime from injuries, and greater continuity of service. Additionally, the equipment will support long-term wellness initiatives that promote a healthier workforce and improve the department's ability to protect the residents and visitors of our community

Financial Considerations: The total amount requested is \$18,400.00, with no matching funds required. The funds will be used for the acquisition of twenty stationary bikes.

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 \$18,400.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for the acquisition of twenty stationary bikes and to amend the multigovernmental fund by said amount. No matching funds are required.

**A RESOLUTION
NO. _____**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, A GRANT FROM THE FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,400.00, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, TO SUPPORT THE ACQUISITION OF TWENTY STATIONARY BIKES, WITH NO MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED. THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND WILL BE AMENDED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department (CFEMS) seeks to acquire fitness equipment to support its health and wellness program,

WHEREAS, the equipment will support improved cardiovascular fitness and reduce the risk of line-of-duty injuries and cardiac events-the leading cause of firefighter fatalities,

WHEREAS, the grant funds will also support the long-term wellness initiatives that promote a healthier workforce and improve the department's ability to protect the residents and visitors of our community; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires no matching funds.

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

- 1) That the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to approve the grant application with Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation in the amount of \$18,400.00, or as otherwise awarded, to support the acquisition of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and educational materials, with no 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 the 8th day of September 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Chambers voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Cook voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

Lindsey G. Mclemore, Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor