

**Columbus Consolidated Government Council Meeting
Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	2021 Homeland Security Hazmat Grant
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to accept a grant in the amount of \$28,992.00 or as otherwise awarded for Hazmat equipment, from the Homeland Security Grant Program with amendment made to the Multi-Government Fund by the like amount with no matching funds required.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

Recommendation: Approval is requested to accept a grant in the amount of \$28,992.00 or as otherwise awarded for Hazmat equipment, from the Homeland Security Grant Program with amendment made to the Multi-Government Fund by the like amount with no matching funds required.

Background: Remaining funds have been allocated to our department from the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program for the purchase and maintenance of equipment used for the Columbus Fire and EMS regional hazmat team. The team responds to local hazardous materials incidents as well as provide mutual aid and hazardous material response capabilities to multiple jurisdictions outside of Muscogee county.

Analysis: The state is providing the funds for new equipment for the Hazardous Materials Team.

Financial Considerations: The grant is for equipment amounting to a total of \$28,992.00 with no matching funds required.

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

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to accept a grant in the amount of \$28,992.00 or as otherwise awarded for Hazmat equipment from the Homeland Security Grant Program with amendment made to the Multi-Government Fund by the like amount with no matching funds required.

**A RESOLUTION
NO.**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,992.00 OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, FROM THE HOMELAND SECURITY HAZMAT GRANT PROGRAM. THESE FUNDS WILL BE UTILIZED FOR THE PURCHASE OF NEW HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EQUIPMENT. THE TEAM RESPONDS TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCIES IN MUSCOGEE COUNTY AS WELL AS SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES TO PROVIDE HAZARDOUS MATERIAL CONTAINMENT, INCLUDING CHEMICAL, RADIOLOGICAL, AND BIOLOGICAL INCIDENTS.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services has been approved by the Governor’s office to fund the Columbus Fire and EMS Hazmat Team; and,

WHEREAS the purchase of new equipment requested in the grant proposal will significantly enhance the current emergency response program; and,

WHEREAS the funds have been allocated through the 2021 Homeland Security Hazmat Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS the equipment will be utilized to respond to hazardous material emergencies to Columbus and the surrounding counties; and,

WHEREAS, this grant proposal requires no matching funds.

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

- 1) That the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept a Homeland Security Hazmat Grant of \$28,992.00 from the 2021 Homeland Security Hazmat Grant Program.
- 2) Amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the award.

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

Councilor Allen voting _____.
Councilor Barnes voting _____.
Councilor Begly voting _____.
Councilor Cogle voting _____.
Councilor Crabb voting _____.
Councilor Davis voting _____.
Councilor Garrett voting _____.
Councilor Huff voting _____.
Councilor Thomas voting _____.
Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor