

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	FEMA – Fire Prevention and Safety Grant
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant application in the amount of \$14,982 for the purchase of 600 smoke alarms. \$14,269.16 will be funded through the FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant with a 5% match of \$713.42 paid by Columbus Fire and EMS. The Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

Recommendation: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant application in the amount of \$14,982 for the purchase of 600 smoke alarms. \$14,269.16 will be funded through the FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant with a 5% match of \$713.42 paid by Columbus Fire and EMS. The Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award.

Background: Funds will be requested from FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant for the purchase of 600 smoke alarms. A growing demand for smoke alarms has been identified using heat map data and information captured by the department’s records management system. The Columbus Fire and EMS Department is committed to offering these life-saving devices to any Columbus resident in need. The department will utilize creative ways to communicate the importance of smoke alarms and implement means to offer and install the devices.

Analysis: Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services is requesting funds for the purchase of 600 smoke alarms.

Financial Considerations: The grant is for equipment amounting to a total of \$14,982, \$14,269.16 will be grant funded with 5% matching funds of \$713.42 being paid by Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

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 application in the amount of \$14,982 for the purchase of 600 smoke alarms. \$14,269.16 will be funded through the FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant with a 5% match of \$713.42 paid by Columbus Fire and EMS. The Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award

**A RESOLUTION
NO. _____**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE, IF AWARDED, A GRANT FOR SMOKE ALARMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,982, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, FROM THE FEMA FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANT. FUNDS WITH COLUMBUS FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PAYING THE 5% MATCH OF \$713.42. THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND WILL BE AMENDED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services is requesting funds for equipment amounting to a total of \$14,982. The amount of \$14,269.16 funded through the FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant, with \$713.42 matching funds paid by Columbus Fire and EMS; and,

WHEREAS, the equipment requested in the grant proposal will purchase 600 smoke alarms that will be distributed to any citizen that requests an alarm and during department smoke alarm distribution events; and,

WHEREAS, the equipment will be utilized by citizens of Columbus to alert them to a potential fire incident in their home; and,

WHEREAS, this grant proposal requires 5% matching funds totaling \$713.42.

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

The authorization to approve the FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant application for smoke alarms for Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services for \$14,982.00 with \$14,269.16 paid through FEMA and a 5% match of \$713.42 paid by Columbus Fire and EMS, or as otherwise awarded, and 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 _____ 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.

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

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor