

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	GEMA Emergency Management Performance Grant
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$50,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a \$50,000 in-kind local match required from GEMA/HS to the Columbus Consolidated Government. The match will be met by the budgeted personnel costs in department budget 450 - Homeland Security. No additional matching funds will be needed. The grant funds will be used to reimburse the general fund.
INITIATED BY:	Emergency Management

Recommendation: Approval is requested for the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$50,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a \$50,000 in-kind local match required from GEMA/HS to the Columbus Consolidated Government. The match will be met by the budgeted personnel costs in department budget 450 - Homeland Security. No additional matching funds will be needed. The grant funds will be used to reimburse the general fund.

Background: GEMA has for many years provided funding to Emergency Management through its Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) program. Columbus Consolidated Government's Emergency Management has utilized these grants funds to reimburse for some personnel costs.

Analysis: these funds will be used to reimburse for personnel costs.

Financial Considerations: No additional city funds will be needed for this grant project.

Legal Considerations: The city is eligible to receive these funds and will be obligated to use the funds as agreed in the grant agreement.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested for the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$50,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a \$50,000 local in-kind match required, from GEMA/HS to the Columbus Consolidated Government. The match will be met by the budgeted personnel costs in department budget 450 - Homeland Security. No additional matching funds will be needed. The grant funds will be used to reimburse the general fund.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE GEORGIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY AGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG), WITH A \$50,000 IN-KIND LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED WHICH IS ALREADY BUDGETED IN THE DEPARTMENT 450 BUDGET, TO AMEND AND REIMBURSE THE GENERAL FUND BY THE AMOUNT AWARDED.

WHEREAS, GEMA has historically provided funding to Emergency Management through its Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) program; and,

WHEREAS,; this funding has helped to cover operations expenses, including personnel expenses of the Emergency Management program; and,

WHEREAS, GEMA has made application available for \$50,000 to again help cover operations expenses, including personnel expenses of the Emergency Management program for the current fiscal year; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is authorized to accept a grant award from GEMA/HS to the Columbus Consolidated Government in the amount of \$50,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a \$50,000 in-kind match which is already budgeted for personnel in the Homeland Security budget, and to amend and reimburse the General Fund revenue 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.

District 1 voting	_____.
Councilor Allen 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, Mayor