



Jefferson City Fire Department

AGENDA ITEM REPORT

TO: City Council

FROM: Robert Lee Turner, Fire Chief

DATE: 2/10/2026

SUBJECT: Purchase of Raman Spectrometer through Jefferson County Opioid Settlement Funding Grant

BACKGROUND:

- The Jefferson City Fire Department has received funding through a competitive grant from the Jefferson County Opioid Board for the purchase of a Raman Spectrometer for the identification of unknown liquids and solids.
- The impact of this funding and the program could impact residents and visitors of Jefferson City, Jefferson County and the surrounding counties. The use of the device would assist law enforcement and other emergency responders with the identification of unknown solids and liquids.

FISCAL IMPACT:

- The full cost of purchase and training of this Raman Spectrometer is covered by the grant and there is no cost to the City for the equipment or training.
- The cost of the Spectrometer is \$62, 277.00 and the City has already received the check for the funding of this equipment and training.

REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

It is my recommendation that Jefferson City Council waiver the sealed bid requirement due to the equipment being listed on GSA pricing (GSA Contract #GS-07F-0564X).