



CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Meeting Date:	Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Category:	CONSENT AGENDA
Type:	ACTION
Subject:	Consider authorization for the approval for SWMN CAT (Southwest Minnesota Chemical Assessment Team) to apply for HMEP (Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning) grant funds from the State of Minnesota Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM).
Background Information:	<p>A Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning grant (HMEP) is available that will supplement the grant funding for the Southwest Minnesota Chemical Assessment Team (SWMN CAT). These grant funds will pay for expenses related to training and exercises that would allow the CAT team to better prepare for responses to hazardous materials events in our 14-county response area as well as the City of Marshall.</p> <p>The HMEP grant requires a twenty percent match that comes from the annual operating grant of the CAT team. The state will be working on a budget for each team's award based on each team's request. The amounts requested from each team varies from year to year based on the training and exercise plans of the teams for that year. Many teams make no request.</p> <p>This years 2019 SWMN CAT grant request will be for \$11,764.00. The project priorities outlined in the grant request are for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) COLD ZONE CONFERENCE (Five members to attend three-day training designed for first responders to participate in hands-on workshops and discuss a variety of topics relating to hazardous material responses).2) THE HAZMATIQ 4 TRAINING (Provide 1-day training at MERIT Center for 30 emergency responders from our 14-county region. This training will be taught by federal instructors that will teach a system that focuses on safety and efficiency when responding to any known or unknown chemical/mixture.
Fiscal Impact:	FISCAL IMPACT: No general fund dollars used
Alternative/ Variations:	None recommended
Recommendation:	To approve the Southwest Minnesota Chemical Assessment Team to apply for a Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning grant from the State of Minnesota Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.