



CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Meeting Date:	Tuesday, April 23, 2019
Category:	CONSENT AGENDA
Type:	ACTION
Subject:	Authorization of acceptance of a HMEP Grant for the Southwest Chemical Assessment Team and to authorize the Director of Public Safety/Police Chief Jim Marshall to administer the grant.
Background Information:	<p>The Southwest Minnesota Chemical Assessment Team (CAT) is the hazardous materials response team for both the City of Marshall and the 14 counties of West-Central and South-West Minnesota. The team is funded through a state funded grant which requires local match funds.</p> <p>Hazardous materials spills are fortunately rare events, but when they do occur require a rapid response and the CAT's exist as regional teams to support and supplement local fire departments within their region. It takes a lot of training to have individuals who are capable to respond in this critical role.</p> <p>The City of Marshall has been awarded funds to supplement these operating grant funds for the training of CAT members. This grant will fund having team members receive the advanced training that is available through the annual hazardous materials conference called the Cold Zone that is located in North Minneapolis.</p> <p>There is a financial match requirement for this grant, but that match will come from the Team's operating grant and not local general funds. A copy of the Grant Agreement and budget as well as information on Signatory Requirements of the grant are attached. A resolution authorizing Director of Public Safety/Police Chief Jim Marshall to administer the grant is also attached.</p>
Fiscal Impact:	The grant is for \$4,935.00, with a cash match requirement of \$1,233.75 for a total budget of \$6,168.75.
Alternative/ Variations:	None
Recommendations:	Authorization of acceptance of a HMEP Grant for the Southwest Chemical Assessment Team and to authorize the Director of Public Safety/Police Chief Jim Marshall to administer the grant.