



SANTAQUIN CITY FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

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Mayor Olson and City Council Members,

Santaquin Fire and EMS has received a grant from the Utah Forestry Fire and State Lands, (FFSL) in the amount of \$9,970.57 for the purchase of new wildland VHF handheld radios. This grant is a 100% match in dollars. This grant will significantly improve our communications on wildland fires with the additional VHF Radios for each seated position in our wildland apparatus. These grant funds were not planned or accounted for in the budget process.

It should be noted that these radios are VHF radios, not the 800-megahertz radios that we have been replacing over the last couple of years. These VHF radios are specifically for use for wildland fire situations and function differently from the 800-megahertz radios that we use daily.

The purchase of these wildland fire VHF radios was not planned, or budgeted for in the current budget process, but I have a plan.

Recently, we invoiced and received a total of \$9,644.00 for standby events for two separate movie sets. This revenue was also not planned or accounted for in the budget process.

I would like to have your permission to spend these ($\$9,970.57 + \$9,644.00 = \$19,614.57$ total) funds on VHF Wildland Radios.

We would be able to purchase a total of 10 new VHF Portable radios with these additional event funds and the matching grant funds.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Recommended Motion: Approve the purchase of 10 wildland fire radios using the funds recently obtained and as described herein.