



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: April 15, 2024
TO: City Council Members
FROM: Aimee New, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: 2024 SAFER Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize Sonora Fire Department to submit a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Grant for Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER). The City Administrator and/or Fire Chief is requesting to authorize and direct the Fire Chief to return to the City Council with the application results and to accept the awards if successful.

DISCUSSION

The SAFER grant program provides funding for additional staffing to Fire Departments to ensure adequate personnel for emergency response. The Fire Department applied for six Firefighter positions. The Grant Application amount is \$3.3 million over a 3-year period. Funding announcements are anticipated for the fall of 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

The SAFER grant is funded 100%. No impact to the general fund. No long-term City commitments.