

RESOLUTION NO.: 2029-R19
SPONSOR: MAYOR NEUGEBAUER
INTRODUCED: FEBRUARY 11, 2020 **ASSIGNED TO:** _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A GRANT, UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (“AFG”), IN THE CATEGORY OF REGIONAL PROJECTS, FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR PURCHASE OF A REGIONAL FIREFIGHTER ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Green Fire Division is eligible under the requirements of the Department of Homeland Security to apply for a grant to assist with regional projects in the Fire Division; and

WHEREAS, the existing accountability system employed in the Fire Division has reached the end of its life and is not upgradeable; and

WHEREAS, a lack of firefighter accountability is consistently identified by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health as a contributing factor in the fire service line of duty deaths; and

WHEREAS, with our region’s need to depend on multiple neighboring departments assistance at the scene of major alarms; and

WHEREAS, multiple departments on scene compounds the issues of maintaining firefighter accountability; and

WHEREAS, a regional system of firefighter accountability is identified as a priority in the AFG grant guidance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUMMIT AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION ONE:

The Mayor is hereby authorized to file an application for FY 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “A”, through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in the Regional Projects category for the purchase of a new firefighter accountability system and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

SECTION TWO:

Green City Council agrees to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the AFG program if funds are awarded.

SECTION THREE:

The City of Green finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and

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relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Council and any deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION FOUR:

Green City Council declares this to be an emergency immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Green and so that the deadline can be met. Provided that this legislation receives the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time allowed by law.

ADOPTED: _____

Molly Kapeluck, Clerk of Council

Barbara Babbitt, Council President

APPROVED: _____, 2020

Gerard M. Neugebauer, Mayor

ENACTED EFFECTIVE: _____, 2020

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Molly Kapeluck, Clerk of Council