



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: August 5, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administration Division, Fire Department

SUBJECT: Assistance To Firefighters 2013 Grant Funds for Breathing Apparatus

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Accept a grant for \$591,311 from the United States Department of Homeland Security Fiscal Year 2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the purchase of eighty-five complete Self Contained Breathing Apparatus packs; and
- B. Increase Fiscal Year 2015 estimated revenues and appropriations by \$591,311 in the Miscellaneous Grants Fund.

DISCUSSION:

In December 2013, the Fire Department submitted a grant application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the 2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. In June 2014, DHS approved the City of Santa Barbara's grant application and the City was awarded \$591,311 for the grant period June 16, 2014 through June 15, 2015.

The proceeds of this grant will be used to purchase eighty-five complete Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) packs with face masks, spare cylinders, voice amplifiers and in-seat mounting brackets. Implementation and use of this equipment brings our SCBA program into 100% compliance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Project costs total \$657,012. The Federal funded amount is \$591,311. The City's 10% matching share of \$65,701 is funded by existing Capital Outlay Fund appropriations.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office