

 <b>Council</b> <b>Communication</b> Office of the City Manager	<b>Date</b>	May 18, 2009	<b>REVISED</b>
	<b>Agenda Item No.</b> <b>49</b> <b>Roll Call No.</b> <b><u>09-</u></b> <b>Communication No.</b> <b><u>09-306</u></b> <b>Submitted by: John F. TeKippe,</b> <b>Fire Chief</b>		

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving the application for United States Department of Homeland Security 2009 Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of a grant application for submission to the United States Department of Homeland Security 2009 Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. The Fire Department is requesting funding for the purchase of 10 generators for all fire stations, and sprinkler and monitoring systems for stations 2, 5, 7, and 9.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$155,502 (20% required match of the total estimated project cost of \$777,510)

Funding Source: 2010 Capital Improvement Project Budget, FIR016 CP041 FIR990000, page Fire 7

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The City of Des Moines Fire Department is requesting an Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) funding to assist in the acquisition and installation for sprinkler systems and full monitoring equipment at 4 of the 10 stations, as well as power generators with automatic transfer switches at all 10 of our stations. Acquisition of the generators and alarming systems is consistent with emphasized grant items, as well as Des Moines Fire Department hazard mitigation projects. Additionally, these acquisitions replace or add absent, outdated, or underpowered systems utilized by personnel currently. This grant opportunity is outside of the stimulus funding indicated for the Fire Service. Grant guidance for the stimulus funds are expected to be released later this summer.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

If the Fire Department is awarded the grant, the City Council will be asked to approve the acceptance of the grant, and, authorization to purchase 10 generators, 4 sprinkler systems, and 4 alarm monitoring systems.

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