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Chief

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving application for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security 2017 Fire Prevention and Safety grant.

### **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of the application to seek alternative funding to pay staff on special assignment and hire technical assistance to complete a sustainable, reliable and valid data source for the collection of data needed to conduct a risk assessment of all structures in the City of Des Moines for the purposes of completing Fire Department accreditation. The funding will enhance current and future Fire Department operations.

# FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- There is no fiscal impact. The grant will pay staff time and technical assistance and the grant's 5% match that will be met through eligible in-kind staff hours. The benefit of the grant is accomplishing the work sooner.
- GuideDSM (Strategic Plan)/Management in Practice/Fire Department Accreditation -Completing a risk assessment is a required component of accreditation. Further, the completed risk assessment benefits both current and future fire department emergency and non-emergency operations.
- GuideDSM (Strategic Plan)/Goals/High Performing City Organization/Sustainable Community -Completing the accreditation and its risk assessment requirement assists in achieving these goals.
- Total grant request not to exceed \$200,000.00 for personnel costs and related expenses.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

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

# ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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