

STAFF REPORT

02/14/2022

Topic: Authorize acceptance of a State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety, 2021 Homeland Security Competitive Grant in the amount of \$98,251.81 to fund the purchase of an Emergency Response Trailer along with Emergency Response Supplies

Discussion: In January 2021 the Laconia Police Department applied for a grant offered through the State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety, Homeland Security. Recently we have been notified that our application has been approved and the grant has been awarded.

This grant money will allow the Laconia Police Department to purchase an enclosed trailer that will be stocked with traffic cones, barricades, traffic direction signs and electronic sign boards that will allow the Laconia Police Department and other municipalities within Belknap County the ability to quickly respond to situations necessitating the need for securing an environment and for response personnel engaged in life saving and life-sustaining operations.

This grant was included in the FY21-22 anticipated grants resolution, RES2021-09. A public hearing was held for grants listed in this Resolution on June 14, 2021.

Fiscal Impact: None - The entire cost of this equipment is covered by the State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety, 2021 Homeland Security Competitive Grant. There is no local match requirement.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends acceptance of the State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety, 2021 Homeland Security Competitive Grant in the amount of \$98,251.81.

This report submitted by: Captain Al Graton, Laconia Police Department

Proposed motion: *"I move to authorize acceptance of a State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety, 2021 Homeland Security Competitive Grant in the amount of \$98,251.81 to fund the purchase of an Emergency Response Trailer along with Emergency Response supplies; I further move to authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts or agreements on behalf of the City of Laconia with the NH Department of Justice, and to execute any necessary documents with regard to the grant."*