

CITY OF YUBA CITY  
STAFF REPORT

**Date:** July 7, 2020  
**To:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
**From:** Fire Department  
**Presentation By:** Jesse Alexander, Fire Chief

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**Summary**

**Subject:** 2017 Homeland Security Grant

**Recommendation:**

- A. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to accept the 2017 Home Land Security Grant in the amount of \$32,000 and approve expenditure recommendations.
- B. Authorize the Finance Director to make a supplemental budget appropriation for grant revenues to 100-43419 and grant expenditures to 2327-69201

**Fiscal Impact:** Money spent on authorized purchases will be 100% reimbursed by the State under the Homeland Security Grant.

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**Purpose:**

To enhance fire response capabilities by funding a purchase for Hurst extrication equipment with grant funds.

**Background:**

In an effort for local agencies to be better prepared to deal with weapons of mass destruction and the threat of terrorism, the Federal Department of Homeland Security, in conjunction with the State of California, has allocated funding to be distributed to all of the counties and local agencies within the State under the 2017 Homeland Security Grant program.

The goal, as in the case of earlier disaster preparedness/homeland security grants, is to provide first responders with the tools to better deal with natural disasters, as well as man-made emergencies.

**Analysis:**

After careful review by staff members of the Yuba City Fire Department, we have identified equipment purchases that will enhance our Department's operational capability to respond to emergencies.

The Yuba City Fire Department is requesting authorization to spend up to \$32,000 for the

purchase of one set of Hurst vehicle extrication tools (Jaws of Life). The proposed purchase of the new extrication equipment is to replace outdated equipment that has difficulty cutting through newer metals being used in automobile construction that have higher tensile strength. This is part of the Fire Department's efforts to upgrade equipment to react to technological changes that affect our ability to quickly and effectively extricate victims of automobile accidents so first aid can be administered.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Money spent on authorized purchases will be 100% reimbursed by the State under the Homeland Security Grant.

**Alternatives:**

Do not approve the grant award and direct Fire Department staff to research alternate funding sources for the purchase of the above-mentioned equipment.

**Recommendation:**

- A. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to accept the 2017 Home Land Security Grant in the amount of \$32,000 and approve expenditure recommendations
- B. Authorize the Finance Director to make a supplemental budget appropriation for grant revenues to 100-43419 and grant expenditures to 2327-69201.

**Attachments:**

- 1. Resolution

Prepared By:

*/s/ Jesse Alexander*

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# ATTACHMENT 1

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUBA CITY  
AUTHORIZING RECEIPT, ALLOCATION AND EXPENDITURE, OF THE 2017 HOMELAND  
SECURITY GRANT**

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUBA CITY  
AS FOLLOWS:

That the City, through the Chief Financial Officer and the Fire Chief, accept, account for, track, allocate and expend as directed the 2017 Homeland Security Grant. It is acknowledged the Homeland Security funding would be in the amount of approximately \$32,000. It is recognized there is no cash match requirement.

That said expenditures be in accordance with grant guidelines, specifically in the area of providing first responders with the tools to better deal with natural disasters, as well as man-made emergencies as might be deemed appropriate by the Fire Chief.

That said purchases be in accordance with State of California and City of Yuba City purchasing guidelines.

That the Finance Director be given authority to adjust the budget as required for grant purposes.

The foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Yuba City at a regular meeting thereof held on the 7th day of July, 2020.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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Shon Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Patricia Buckland, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
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