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State Homeland Security Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement 2014 (NB)

This item requests that the City Commission authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management to support equipment maintenance for Gainesville Fire Rescue's Hazardous Materials Team.

Explanation

Gainesville Fire Rescue's (GFR) Hazardous Materials Team has regional responsibilities for eleven counties and is classified as a State Type I Team providing a response capability with personnel and testing equipment for hazardous materials incidents within one hour. Through prior agreement, GFR was designated as one of 21 teams providing a statewide response network to hazardous materials emergencies. Funding for maintenance of specialized detection equipment to support these capabilities is supplemented through a variety of homeland security and emergency services grants; one of these is the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) offered through the State of Florida Department of Financial Services. Reimbursement funding offered for the 2014 program just recently approved includes up to \$15,000 for sustainment of detection equipment. Funding will be used to renew a maintenance agreement for maintaining wireless chemical detection equipment, supplies, and calibration gases.

Fiscal Note

The City will receive up to \$15,000. There is no match required.

Recommendation

The City Commission authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into a contract with the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.