



## LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Suzanne Sherman, City Manager

**THRU:** Richard E. Stover, Fire Chief

**DATE:** July 18, 2024

**RE:** Consideration of submitting an application for the Fiscal Year 2024 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program. (AGENDA REVISION)

### SUMMARY:

Fire Rescue is requesting Council authorization to submit a proposal under the FEMA/DHS Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP). If awarded, the grant would cover the funding for a Regional (Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville FL Metro Area) Preparedness initiative. The total funding is approximately \$1 million and there is no match from the City required. The performance period will commence October 1, 2024, and extend for a total of 3 years. The grant application deadline is July 25, 2024.

The grant would fully fund two (2) full time personnel (one emergency planner and one GIS Specialist) for the 3-year period of performance, funding for hiring of contractors for FEMA training and multiple disaster exercises, funding for a regional situational awareness platform, and expenses to provide education and outreach to all disadvantaged communities within the MSA. This is pending collaborative agreement between Palm Bay, Melbourne, Titusville and other municipalities in the County.

### REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

Fire

### FISCAL IMPACT:

None - no match.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Motion to approve applying to the Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program for the 2024 period.

**ATTACHMENT:**

1. Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program Information