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Title: Dept/ Agency: Public Safety/Division of Fire
Action: ☒ Ratifying ☒ Authorizing ☐ Amending
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Additional Information:

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), implemented the FY 2017 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program in order to improve and restore local fire departments' staffing and deployment capabilities so that they may more effectively respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark, Public Safety Department, Fire Division ("Fire Division"), in furtherance of its efforts to protect the health and safety of the public against fire and fire-related hazards, desires to make use of SAFER grant funds to restore and maintain the number of trained, front-line firefighters so that the Fire Division may more effectively respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, on or about April 27, 2018, the Director of Public Safety, on behalf of the Fire Division, caused an application to be submitted to FEMA requesting funding in the amount of \$4,350,780.00 from the FY 2017 SAFER Grant Program to restore and maintain the number of trained, front line firefighters in the Newark Fire Division (a copy of said application is attached hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, as a result of this application, on or about August 27, 2018, the City of Newark was awarded a grant in the amount of \$4,350,780.00 from FEMA's FY 2017 SAFER Grant Program, for the grant period commencing on February 18, 2019, and terminating on February 17, 2022 (more specifically, \$2,682,981.00 federal share, and \$1,667,799.00 cumulative non-federal commitment by Newark) (a copy of the award letter is attached hereto as part of the award package, and same is made a part hereof) and;

WHEREAS, on or about on or about September 17, 2018, the Director of Public Safety, on behalf of the Newark Fire Division, caused to be submitted to FEMA those submissions necessary to accept and receive the grant award; and

WHEREAS, municipal funds are required for the receipt or acceptance of the grant award in the amount of \$1,667,799.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT;

1. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of Public Safety, are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Newark Fire Division, to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, requesting \$4,350,780.00 from the FY 2017 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant Program to restore and maintain the number of trained, front-line Firefighters in the Newark Fire Division.
2. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies its authorization of this application from the date of application submission to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
3. The grant award in the amount of \$4,350,780.00 from FEMA's FY 2017 SAFER Grant Program (more specifically, \$2,682,981.00 federal share, and \$1,667,799.00 cumulative non-federal commitment by Newark) is hereby accepted.

4. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of Public Safety, are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Newark Fire Division, to enter into and execute documents with FEMA to receive and expend the grant award in the amount of \$4,350,780.00 to restore and maintain the number of trained, front-line firefighters in the Newark Fire Division, for the grant period commencing on February 18, 2019 through February 17, 2022 (copies of the agreement articles and the FEMA Obligation Document are attached hereto as part of the award package, and same are made a part hereof).
5. The agreement between the City of Newark and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, is hereby ratified from August 27, 2018, to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
6. Municipal funds in the amount of \$1,667,799.00 are required for receipt or acceptance of this grant award.
7. The Director of Public Safety shall file a fully-executed copy of the grant application, the grant award letter, and the grant agreement documents with the Office of the City Clerk.

STATEMENT

This resolution ratifies and authorizes the actions taken by the Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of Public Safety, to submit an application for grant funding in the amount of \$4,350,780.00 (more specifically, \$2,682,981.00 federal share, and \$1,667,799.00 cumulative non-federal commitment by Newark), for the period commencing February 18, 2018 through February 17, 2022, from FEMA for the restoration and maintenance of the number of trained, front-line Firefighters in the Newark Fire Division, and furthermore ratifies and authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of Public Safety, to enter into and execute those agreement documents.