


TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Ken Johnson, ES Chief 
SUBJECT: FEMA Grant Amendment Authorization
DATE: April 5, 2005

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider authorizing the purchase of smoke detectors, Spanish and senior fire prevention literature, handheld radios, thermal imaging cameras, and one mobile radio with surplus Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant funds.

FACTS:

1. Council Resolution 04-15 authorized the acceptance of a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$84,375 (requiring a local match of \$9,375).
2. Approximately \$51,254 of funding was expended for exercise equipment, exhaust removal equipment, and the department's health and wellness program.
3. FEMA authorized a grant amendment allowing Emergency Services to spend the remaining funds on smoke detectors, bilingual and senior fire prevention literature, thermal imaging cameras, handheld radios, and one mobile radio.

ANALYSIS & CONCLUSION: The combination of surveying a lesser number of firefighters than anticipated for the health and wellness program, and actual costs coming in below estimated budget, resulted in a surplus of \$42, 496. ES obtained approval from FEMA to amend the grant award to include the purchase of smoke detectors, Spanish and senior fire prevention literature, handheld radios, thermal imaging cameras, and one mobile radio.

Staff recommends approval of the FEMA grant amendment as indicated in attachment 1. A portion of the acquisitions would be made with the authority provided the department, while others would require a competitive bid process and be followed up with requests for City Council bid awards. Regardless, all purchases shall confirm with adopted City purchasing policies.

POLICY REFERENCE: Council Resolution 04-15

FISCAL IMPACT: None. All funds identified in the grant amendment represent monies already allocated by Council via Resolution 04-15.

OPTIONS:

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 05-xx authorizing Emergency Services to purchase equipment listed in Attachment 1 totaling \$42,496.
- b. Amend, modify or reject above option.

Attachment 1

<i>Item</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Estimated Cost</i>
Smoke Detectors with batteries	200	\$1,800
Bilingual and Senior Fire Prevention Literature		1,943
Handheld Radios	8	9,200
Mobile Unit Radio	1	2,700
Thermal Imaging Camera	2	23,980
Sales Tax		2,873
Total		\$42,496

RESOLUTION NO. 05-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
AUTHORIZING THE A PURCHASING ADJUSTMENT TO F.E.M.A. GRANT MONIES

WHEREAS, Council Resolution 04-15 authorized the acceptance of a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$84,375; and

WHEREAS, Council Resolution 04-15 authorized \$9,375 of previously allocated Emergency Services department funds to be utilized as the required grant match; and

WHEREAS, \$51,254 of these funds were utilized to purchase exercise equipment, exhaust removal equipment, and fund the department's health and wellness program; and

WHEREAS, \$42,496 of the remaining funds have been approved by FEMA to be redirected for the purchase of smoke detectors, Spanish and senior fire prevention literature, handheld radios, thermal imaging cameras, and one mobile unit radio; and

WHEREAS, all proposed purchases will conform to City purchasing policies and represent no new allocation of funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles authorizes the Chief of Emergency Services to utilize the remaining FEMA grant funds and local grant match for the purchase of smoke detectors, Spanish and senior fire prevention literature, handheld radios, thermal imaging cameras, and one mobile unit radio totaling \$42,496.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 5th day of April 2005 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk