



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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MEMORANDUM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: James K. Scholl, City Manager
Greg Veliz, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Carolyn Sheldon, Senior Grants Administrator

DATE: August 2, 2018

RE: **Approving the acceptance of a Florida Department of Health Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Grant award in the amount of \$142,283 for the purchase of a new ambulance. Approving necessary budget amendments or transfers to accept the grant.**

ACTION STATEMENT:

This resolution will approve the acceptance of a Florida Department of Health Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Grant award in the amount of \$142,283 for the purchase of a new ambulance. This resolution will also approve necessary budget amendments or transfers to accept the grant.

BACKGROUND:

The EMS Matching grant program provides emergency medical services providers, first responder organizations, and other emergency medical service related organizations with funds for projects to acquire, repair, improve, or upgrade emergency medical services systems, or equipment

The City of Key West submitted an application on January 30, 2018 for funding from the Florida Department of Health Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Grant (attached). The funding was awarded on May 23, 2018. Only 15 awards were made.

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

The grant funding will be used to purchase a new ambulance, which will help provide an adequate fleet of rescue ambulances to enable KWFD EMS to safely transport patients while providing lifesaving care. The new ambulance is to be placed into active front line service and would bring the total fleet to six (6).

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

If the acceptance of the grant is approved, grant revenue will be budgeted in Account 101-0000-334-9000 and the expenses in Account 101-2201-522-6400. The City has already received a check for \$142,283 which is currently in deferred revenue Account 1010000 2230000.

Key to the Caribbean – Average yearly temperature 77° F.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the acceptance of a Florida Department of Health Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Grant award in the amount of \$142,283 for the purchase of a new ambulance.