

RESOLUTION NO. 28392

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA), ADD (3) FTE FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS FOR THE TWO YEAR GRANT PERFORMANCE PERIOD AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES

WHEREAS, the Fire Department requested a FEMA “Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response” 2013 (SAFER) grant to hire (3) FTE Firefighter positions and has been awarded the grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant award of \$853,356 will allow the hiring of (3) FTE Firefighters for a two-year grant performance period allowing the Fire Department to increase staffing of Engine 6 (Calistoga Road) to Improve initial interior fire attack times to save lives and reduce property damage; and

WHEREAS, FEMA has eliminated the matching funds and continuance of increased service past the 2-year grant performance period requirement; and

WHEREAS, the grant conditions require the maintenance, no layoff, of the current filled 114 operational General Fund positions and 9 FEMA SAFER grant funded positions, in addition to the (3) FTE grant funded positions, for the term of the grant period; and

WHEREAS, the grant provides that in the event of a citywide economic hardship that effects public safety that the City may request a waiver to layoff positions or terminate the grant; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department will continue to seek alternative funding to sustain the grant funded staffing;

WHEREAS, at the end of the grant period the Fire Department, in the event new funding has not been generated to sustain the grant funded staffing, can utilize the (3) FTE positions to fill retirement vacancies; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the acceptance of FEMA 2013 Grant funds and the addition of (3) FTE Firefighter positions for the two year grant performance period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the City Manager to execute documents on behalf of the City and authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to appropriate FEMA 2013 SAFER Grant funds in the amount of \$853,356 into JL Key 05089, entitled FEMA 2013 SAFER Grant. The revenue account for deposit is 001100-4411.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 10th day of December, 2013.

AYES: (6) Mayor Bartley, Vice Mayor Swinth, Council Members Combs, Olivares, Ours, Wysocky

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Council Member Carlstrom

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney