## City of Santa Rosa



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Title: REPORT - GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

(FEMA) STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANT (SAFER) FOR FUNDING FOR THE HIRING OF TWELVE (12) FIREFIGHTERS FOR HIGH DEMAND SERVICE

**AREAS** 

BACKGROUND: The SAFER grant program intends to improve or restore local fire department's staffing and deployment capabilities so they may more effectively respond to emergencies. Grant funds are available for two activities: Hiring firefighters or the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters. SRFD is requesting funding to hire 12 firefighters to address high service demand areas of the City, adding an additional four on-duty firefighters daily.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Fire Department that Council, by resolution: 1) authorize staff to submit a grant application to FEMA for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant (SAFER) in the total amount of \$7,084,440 for the hiring of twelve (12) firefighters for response in high demand areas; 2) authorize the Fire Chief or his designee to accept the grant award and approve and execute all documents and agreements related to the grant, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney; and 3) authorize the Chief Financial Officer to appropriate funds into the project account by the amount of the grant award.

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**Attachments:** 1. Staff Report, 2. Resolution, 3. Presentation

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