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A Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for a Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant under the Pennsylvania Gaming Act for the purpose of funding personal protective equipment for the Bureau of Fire's special operations team members participating with Technical, Swift Water and Dive Rescue ("Rescue 1").

WHEREAS, Rescue 1 is a team of firefighters, paramedics and emergency professionals who provide critical water rescue services throughout South Central Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the majority of team members for Rescue 1 are paid, professional firefighters within the Bureau of Fire for the City of Harrisburg (the "City"); and

WHEREAS, the City desires to purchase much-needed safety and communications equipment that will help ensure that the City's qualified Rescue 1 team members have the technical training, professional certification, and highly-specialized equipment they need to conduct dangerous, life-saving rescue and recovery special operations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Pennsylvania Gaming Act, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania (the "County") receives a portion of the gross terminal revenue generated from the slot machines at the Hollywood Casino at Penn National, for which it is authorized to award as municipal grants; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to submit an application to request \$54,724 in grant funds from the County for the purpose of funding encapsulation suits and masks to help bring the City's Rescue 1 team members into compliance with several National Fire Protection Association standards, protect the divers from the risks of cold waters or those polluted by chemicals and biohazards, allow them to remain in the water longer, and enable them to focus on rescuing the victim in distress; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the grant program requirements, the grant application must be submitted to the County no later than September 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the grant application is attached and incorporated as "Exhibit A."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARRISBURG, that the submission of a grant application for a Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant under the Pennsylvania Gaming Act for the purpose of funding personal protective equipment for the Bureau of Fire's special operations

team members participating with Technical, Swift Water and Dive Rescue Team ("Rescue 1") is authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Controller and other appropriate City officials are authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to further effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

Seconded by: Benjalar

Passed by City Council August 29, 2017

Wanda R. D. Williams

President of City Council

Attest [Signature]

City Clerk

- Approved
- Returned to City Council with objections

YEAS		NAYS
MR. ALLATT		
MR. BALTIMORE		
MS. DANIELS		
MS. HODGES		
MR. JOHNSON		
MR. MAJORS		
MS. WILLIAMS		
Yeas	<u>6</u>	
Nays	<u>0</u>	

Exhibit A

August 1st 2017

Dauphin County Gaming Advisory Board
C/O Dauphin County DCED
112 Market Street 7th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1295
Phone: 717-780-6250
Fax: 717-780-6258

To whom it may concern:

Enclosed please find five (5) hard copies and one electronic copy of Harrisburg Bureau of Fire's application for a grant through the Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant Program.

Thank you for your Consideration.

Sincerely,

Brian Enterline
Chief
Harrisburg Bureau of Fire

Received by: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____



**Harrisburg
Bureau of Fire**

DAUPHIN COUNTY LOCAL SHARE MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM

FY 2017 APPLICATION COVER PAGE

Applicant Name: Bureau of Fire – City of Harrisburg
Co-Applicant: Dauphin County *District Attorney Ed Marisco*

Project Name: Dive Team – Personal Protective Equipment

Sponsor: Dauphin County

Project Description: The Bureau of Fire is requesting funds to provide Personal Protective Equipment to its regional team of highly-trained Public Safety divers.

Funding Request: Up to \$54,724.00

Contact Person: Brian Enterline, Chief

Address: Bureau of Fire – City of Harrisburg
123 Walnut Street
Suite 220
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101-1678

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Project Objective

The encapsulation suits and masks described above will help bring the team into compliance with several National Fire Protection Association standards, protect the divers from the risks of cold waters or those polluted by chemicals and biohazards, allow them to remain in the water longer, and enable them to focus on rescuing the victim in distress. By providing that personal security, the divers will be less anxious in a contaminated environment and, most likely, zero visibility environment, thereby allowing the diver to be more efficient using less air per square foot of searched area. Possessing the proper equipment and obtaining adequate training will permit the team to make dives for victim rescue or body recovery.

The entire population of the eight-county South Central Region would benefit from these improvements.

Application Narrative

Rescue 1 Technical, Swift Water and Dive Rescue is a 75-member team of firefighters, paramedics and emergency professionals who provide critical services throughout Dauphin County and the surrounding area. Most but not all of the members of Rescue 1 are employees of the Harrisburg City Bureau of Fire, a paid, professional fire department within Harrisburg's City government.

The money sought by the Bureau of Fire through the Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant Program would be used by the Bureau to purchase much-needed safety and communications equipment that will help ensure that Rescue 1 has a full complement of qualified rescue team members, as well as the technical training, professional certification, and highly-specialized equipment they need to conduct dangerous, life-saving rescue and recovery special operations.

Rescue 1 is the only professional, full-time technical rescue team in South Central Pennsylvania, and the only one that provides more than surface water rescues. Rescue 1's Special Operations team is always available, instantly deployable, and guaranteed to respond timely – especially when the emergency response exceeds local capabilities. No other team in the area has its members on call, *every day, every shift* – without exception.

The members of this premier, all-hazards rescue team require special equipment and training due to the technical, sophisticated, and often dangerous nature of their activities. These include, but are not limited to: water-based evidence, body and vehicle recoveries; surface water dives; wilderness searches; machinery accidents; structural collapse, confined space and trench rescues; and rescues requiring special vehicles and low- and high-angle ropes. Rescue 1 also provides critical, on-call support to local communities in the event of medical emergencies, fires, hazardous material spills, and law enforcement situations.



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In 2016, several Rescue 1 team members were honored for their heroic rescue of an elderly fisherman who was trapped in the backwash of a dam – an area so dangerous it's called a "drowning machine." The bravery of these firefighters is all the more impressive when you realize that, due to the danger – and a lack of needed equipment and that they had not yet trained on low head dam rescues.

Rescue 1 supports the people and communities of Dauphin County in a way that simply cannot be replicated by any other local provider of emergency services. The safety and ongoing viability of Rescue 1 is of significant local importance considering that the Hollywood Casino alone attracts thousands of visitors to South Central Pennsylvania, tourism that increases pressure on our local public safety resources and emergency services.

Thank you for your consideration of our request for funding. We are confident that the awarding of a Local Share Municipal Grant to the Bureau of Fire will help ensure that the Rescue 1 team continues to live up to its motto: *Essem Quam Videri*, which means 'To Be, Rather than to Seem.'

Project Need

Rescue 1 is the only professional, full-time technical rescue team in the area, providing much-needed rescue and recovery activities for the Harrisburg region (defined as the City of Harrisburg and surrounding counties).

In addition to surface water rescue, the 75-member special operations team performs cold-water underwater search, rescue, and recovery. Unlike recreational divers who can plan the date, time, and location of a dive, and dive only if conditions are ideal, Rescue 1's divers must respond to emergencies 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Divers may be required to dive in the middle of the night, during inclement weather, or in waters with zero visibility or polluted by chemicals and biohazards.

In responding to such emergencies, Rescue 1's divers must shift focus from their own personal safety to that of a victim in distress. To better ensure the safety of Rescue 1's divers and allow them to remain in the water, the Harrisburg Bureau of Fire wishes to purchase twelve (12) hazardous material (hazmat) dry suits (PPE) and twelve (12) sets of the accompanying dry suit underwear.

A brief explanation of this equipment is in order. A hazardous materials dry suit is a form of required Personal Protective Equipment that protects the diver from cold and hazardous materials through thermal insulation and prevents contaminated water from entering the suit. The dry suit protects the entire body, including hands, and feet and head when worn with a Full Face mask. Dry suit underwear can be layered up or down to match the widest range of diving conditions.

Hazmat dry suits require fins that accommodate hazmat dry suit boots. The Bureau would therefore purchase twelve (12) sets of diving fins compatible with the suits integrated boots.



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Finally, a hazmat dry suit also requires a full-face mask with a communications system. If awarded this grant, the Bureau of Fire would also purchase twelve (12) full-face masks with surface-to-diver communications units. These units allow divers in the water to talk with surface personnel through both wired and wireless surface units. To coordinate communications among the team members wearing this gear, the Bureau would also purchase one (1) wired and one (1) wireless communications surface unit as well as one (1) 50-meter communications cable.

To recap, if awarded the Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant, the Bureau of Fire would purchase:

- 12 hazmat dry suits
- 12 sets of dry suit underwear
- 12 sets of diving fins
- 12 full-face masks with surface-to-diver communications unit
- 1 wired communications surface unit
- 1 wireless communications surface unit
- 1 50-meter communications cable

Community Support

The Harrisburg Bureau of Fire has strong support from the Dauphin County District Attorney's Office. The Bureau will be working with the District Attorney's Office to retrieve evidence from the Susquehanna River. The support of the District Attorney is detailed in the attached letter.

Timeline

If awarded the Local Share Municipal Grant, HFSOF would purchase the equipment immediately.

Budget

- Twelve (12) hazardous material (hazmat) dry suits
- Twelve (12) sets of dry suit underwear
- Twelve (12) full-face masks with surface-to-diver communications units
- One (1) wired communications surface unit
- One (1) wireless communications surface unit
- One (1) 50-meter communications cable
- Twelve (12) sets of diving fins

Total: \$54,734.20



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Job Creation, Recruitment and Retention

This project is not intended to create new jobs, however it will provide the Personal Protective Equipment necessary to ensure the safety and preserve the health of the Bureau's Firefighters. It will also meet the requirements specified for NFPA.

Local Planning

Dauphin County

- "Municipalities, particularly to the northern Dauphin County are encouraged to create regional forces to cover larger areas. These could include fire, ambulance, and police services."¹

Located in and serving a large part of Dauphin County, Harrisburg Bureau of Fire already exists to provide regional emergency services protection. The HBF's Dive team will provide emergency coverage to the entire South Central Region.

Fire and Emergency Reporting and Planning

The purchase of the specific dive equipment directly meets the following goals and objectives in the *2008 Dauphin County Comprehensive Emergency Services Plan*.

1. **CFS&U-1:** "Provide a complete and adequate system of community facilities and services that is responsive to the needs of the residents and non-residential establishments of the County." Rescue 1 provides its specialized rescue service to individuals, business enterprises and public entities alike. Without its capabilities, the lives, well-being and property of the residents and entities in the region are at greater risk. Because Rescue 1 is the only fulltime and professional organization of its kind, its services are essential to Dauphin County, its residents, visitors, businesses, and non-commercial entities.
2. **CFS&U-1.1.C:** "Provide community facilities and services to meet the existing and future demands of Dauphin County Residents." Similarly, without the services provided by Rescue 1, it would be difficult to continue to attract the business, residential and tourism growth in the County.
3. **CFS&U-1.2.C:** "Promote and encourage shared facilities and services." Rescue 1 provides its specialized services throughout Dauphin County and beyond, allowing other fire departments and governmental entities to leverage their services as needed. Supporting Rescue 1 promotes efficiency and is a model of shared resources.
4. **CFS&U-1.5.B:** "Encourage and support local and multi-jurisdictional police, fire and rescue and emergency medical services" Not only does Rescue 1 provide services beyond the City of Harrisburg throughout the entirety of Dauphin County and beyond, it is composed of members from other jurisdictions and other disciplines, as well. Susquehanna Township



Harrisburg Bureau of Fire

EMS Chief Matt Baily is a member of Rescue 1 and that township and the City of Harrisburg work cooperatively to ensure the smooth facilitation of services to those in need.

Priority of Projects

The City is submitting three (3) applications for funding. The City considers all three projects to be equally important, and thus does not have a ranking of projects.

Lancaster Scuba Center

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 Lancaster PA 17601
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 Prepared by: Zach Walker

QUOTE

DATE:	8/21/17
QUOTE #	HBGFIREZ
Customer	HBGFIRE
Valid Until:	Prices Valid through 11/21/2017

Customer
 Michael Feldman, Matthew Baily
 Harrisburg Fire

DESCRIPTION	Qty	AMOUNT
Aqua Lung Hazmat With 2 Pockets, sock feet and unattached boots	12	2,495.45
Aqua Lung MK2 Drysuit Underwear 1 Piece	12	119.95
Ocean Reef Predator Mask Highbrid Full Face Mask with User Comms	12	1,599.95
Ocean Reef Wireless Comm Surface Unit OR033128	1	1,150.00
Ocean Reef Wired Comm Surface Unit	1	1,300.00
50 Meter Comm Cable OR033134	1	500.00
Apeks RK3 Fins	12	100.00

Subtotal	\$54,734.20
Taxable	\$0.00
Tax rate	
Tax due	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00
TOTAL Due	\$54,734.20

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Customer will be billed after indicating acceptance of this quote
 - Payment will be due prior to placing the order with vendors
 - Please email or mail the signed price quote to the address above
- Customer Acceptance (sign below):

X _____

Print Name:

If you have any questions about this price quote, please contact
Zach Walker

Thank You For Your Business!

**City of Harrisburg
Disclosure Statement
for
Local Share Municipal Grant Application
Dauphin County**

Disclose any instances of fraud or theft of applicant funds in the last five (5) years and measures taken by applicant to prevent future theft and fraudulent events.

The city has fully cooperated in each of the below-cited matters and has initiated the investigation in four (4) of the matters.

Disclosure #1 - In March 2013, the City of Harrisburg entered into a consent decree with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission agreeing to a finding that it had violated certain regulations regarding public disclosures and other public statements by elected officials. The finding was an acknowledgment that the City failed to provide timely and accurate financial disclosures over a limited window of time. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

Disclosure #2 - In August 2014, the Treasurer of the City of Harrisburg, John Campbell, was charged with felony theft and a misdemeanor charge of unfair or deceptive acts or fraudulent conduct stemming from his alleged misappropriation of funds from the Historic Harrisburg Association, a charity where he served as Executive Director. The charity is not related to the City of Harrisburg. In September 2014, Mr. Campbell was also charged with a second theft charge in connection with his alleged misuse of funds from Capital Regional Stonewall Democrats, a political action committee where he served as Treasurer. Mr. Campbell resigned his position as Treasurer of the City of Harrisburg effective September 2, 2014. A review of the accounts of the City of Harrisburg showed no breaches. The above charges are unrelated to the duties of Mr. Campbell's position as City Treasurer and have no effect on the City's finances or its financial dealings. Mr. Campbell later pled guilty under a plea agreement, made restitution, and was placed in an Accelerated Rehabilitation Disposition program by the Court. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

Disclosure #3 - In July 2015, a 98-page grand jury presentment was issued regarding the former Mayor of Harrisburg, Stephen R. Reed, which included 17 criminal charges, with 499 separate counts, including theft of City property, bribery, and his operation of a corrupt criminal enterprise while in office. He served as Mayor for 28 years and left office in January 2010. The indictment referred to 7 counts of bribery of former City Council members and County officials. No charges have been brought against other former officials, though the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General publicly announced that the grand jury has been extended and that a second grand jury is anticipated to be seated. The most recent incidents occurred in 2015, in an effort to sell or consign certain firearms and related items allegedly purchased with public monies or otherwise being the alleged property of the City. In January 2017, in a plea agreement, Mr. Reed pled guilty to 2 felony and 18 misdemeanor counts related to receiving stolen property. The Office of the Attorney General agreed to dismiss the remaining charges. The stolen

property for which he pled guilty was valued at more than \$19,000. Mr. Reed was sentenced to return certain stolen property, two years of supervised probation, and a \$2,000 fine. A formal application for return of seized property that includes the issues of forfeiture and return of City property is pending. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

Disclosure #4 - The City is cooperating in an ongoing investigation of an alleged 2013 unauthorized electronic transfer of funds from a financial account allocated for City use secured through another governmental body with whom the City interacts. The cyber breach appears to have occurred in the systems of the outside agency, but a review is ongoing. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

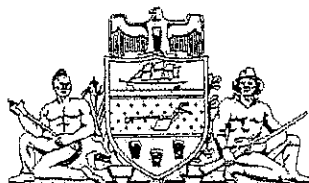
Disclosure #5 - The City is cooperating in an investigation of an alleged misappropriation or misuse of 2013 and earlier City funds by a former employee. The City has modified and corrected its cash handling policies to prevent re-occurrence. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

Disclosure #6 - A former law enforcement officer entered into a plea arrangement in January 2016 on 2014 criminal charges, wherein the original charges alleged theft of approximately \$7,500 in public and non-profit funds in 2012-2013. The officer has been terminated. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

Disclosure #7 - In October 2016, a City police officer was charged with theft of money belonging to a federal agency and removing property to prevent its seizure. The charges resulted from an internal investigation by the Harrisburg Police Dept. The investigation was subsequently referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Pennsylvania State Police. The matter is ongoing. **This should have no material effect on the City's current abilities to comply with the obligations of this grant.**

Describe any pending litigation, administrative proceedings or governmental approval that may cause delay or otherwise impact the project.

The City is not aware of any pending litigation, administrative proceedings or governmental approvals that would likely cause delay of or otherwise adversely impact the project.



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July 28, 2017

Dauphin County Gaming Advisory Board
c/o Brooke Echevarria, Grants Coordinator
Dauphin County Department of Community & Economic Development
112 Market Street, 7th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Gaming Board Members:

I am writing in my capacity as Dauphin County District Attorney to sponsor the Harrisburg City Bureau of Fire (HBG BOF) in its application for a Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant in the amount of \$54,734.20, as more fully described in its application.

I believe this application from the HBG BOF is consistent with the Dauphin County Commissioners' goal of using local share gaming money for organizations and projects that broadly impact and benefit many areas of Dauphin County.

The HBG BOF seeks these grant monies to help fund its 75-member Rescue 1 Technical, Swift Water and Dive Rescue Team, a courageous team of firefighters, paramedics and emergency professionals who provide critical services throughout Dauphin County and the seven additional counties that comprise PEMA's South Central Region.

The money sought will be used by the HBG BOF to ensure that Rescue 1 has a full complement of qualified rescue team members, as well as the technical training, professional certification, and highly-specialized equipment they need to conduct dangerous, life-saving rescue and recovery special operations. Additionally, this will enable them to assist local and State Police and my office by testifying in court.

Rescue 1 is the only professional, full-time technical rescue team in South Central Pennsylvania, and the only one that provides more than surface water rescues. Rescue 1's Special Operations team is always available, instantly deployable, and guaranteed to respond timely – especially when the emergency response exceeds local capabilities.

The members of this premier, all-hazards rescue team require special equipment and training due to the technical, sophisticated and often dangerous nature of their activities. These include, but are not limited to: surface and subsurface water rescue, water-based evidence recovery, victim and vehicle recoveries; wilderness searches; machinery accidents; structural collapse, confined space and trench rescues; and rescues requiring special vehicles and low- and high-angle ropes. Rescue 1 also provides critical, on-call support to local communities in the event of medical emergencies, fires, hazardous material spills, and law enforcement situations.

Rescue 1 supports the people and communities of Dauphin County in a way that cannot be replicated by any one local provider of emergency services. Ensuring that this team is adequately funded is a priority of the HBG BOF, one that is of significant local importance. I respectfully ask your favorable consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. M. Marsico, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Edward M. Marsico, Jr.
Dauphin County District Attorney

CERTIFICATION OF NON-CONTINGENCY

I, _____ (name and title), an authorized representative of _____ (Local Share Municipal Grant Applicant), subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities, hereby certify that neither the Local Share Municipal Grant Applicant, nor its affiliated entity or political subdivision, have engaged any person to lobby on its behalf in regard to its Local Share Municipal Grant Application in exchange for compensation contingent in whole or in part upon the approval, award, receipt or denial of funds under Section 1403 of the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act (the "Gaming Act"), 4 Pa.C.S. § 1101 et seq., and further certify that the Local Share Municipal Grant Applicant, or its affiliated entity, have not engaged in or agreed to lobby for compensation contingent in whole or in part upon the approval, award, receipt or denial of funds under Section 1403 of the Gaming Act.

I understand that a violation of Section 1403(f) of the Gaming Act is considered an intentional violation of 65 Pa.C.S. § 13A09(e) relating to lobbying disclosure and penalties. I further understand that such violation or false certification hereunder shall be cause for the immediate termination and repayment of any Local Share Municipal Grant awarded to the Applicant.

This certification is given in support of the Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant Application submitted by the Applicant.

Date

Authorized Representative

INTER

OFFICE

MEMO

To: HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
From: Kirk Petroski, City Clerk
LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FORM

Date:

LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FORM/CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

BILL NO. -2017 RESOLUTION NO. ⁸² -2017

THE ABOVE LISTED ITEM WAS WRITTEN AND PREPARED FOR FINAL INTRODUCTION AT THE HARRISBURG CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE ON:

Rebecca V. Hunkel
Assistant City Solicitor

8/25/17
Date

Requested by Department/Bureau: Grants / Fire

Department/Bureau Contact Person: Jonathan Hicks

For Action on or before:

The attached was received in the Office of the City Clerk for introduction on

Received by: [Signature]

Date: 8-25-17