



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt resolution approving the purchase of a self-contained breathing apparatus acquired through the FIRE Act and Homeland Security grant programs and appropriating funds (\$49,384.87) (FD)

MEETING DATE: September 21, 2005

PREPARED BY: Michael E. Pretz, Fire Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That Council grant final approval and authorize the purchase of new high pressure self-contained breathing apparatus and related equipment.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In April 2004, Council approved a cooperative effort between the Waterloo-Morada Fire District and the Lodi Fire Department to apply for a FIRE Act grant. In addition, the Fire Department has participated in the Department of Homeland Security grants for several years. The use of these grants has been to upgrade firefighter safety equipment. Specifically, the grants will be used to purchase 45 new high pressure MSA Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus including spare bottles, communications equipment, a mobile compressor, and testing and maintenance equipment.

The funds from these two grants will provide over 90% of the purchase costs. The new equipment will provide the City and its firefighters with new state of the art NFPA and OSHA compliant safety equipment. These purchases will also make available some additional equipment that the department has been in need of when faced with the larger emergency incidents. Moreover, the equipment purchase enhances the interoperability of Lodi Fire Department with surrounding fire agencies in the north county by utilizing identical equipment. The new equipment is meant to replace older equipment and it is anticipated that these new units will have a service life of fifteen or more years.

This project was conducted in cooperation with the surrounding Fire Districts that provide mutual aid to the City of Lodi during multiple alarms or whenever Lodi Fire Department apparatus is otherwise engaged. The City of Lodi will receive over \$300,000 in equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT: FIRE ACT GRANT: The City of Lodi's match in this cooperative grant with surrounding fire districts is 10% or \$30,000, the funds for which will come from the savings accrued from the purchase of the new fire apparatus in 2004.

Homeland Security Grant (from state OES through county OES): The City of Lodi is required to purchase the equipment in advance and be reimbursed by the state; therefore, this represents a new appropriation and revenue for 2005-06 budget. The breathing apparatus purchased with this grant will be used by the hazardous material team and will be compatible with the breathing apparatus purchased with the FIRE ACT grant monies.

APPROVED: 
Blair King, City Manager

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FUNDING AVAILABLE: FIRE ACT Grant: Appropriate \$30,000 from Account #1410.2354 (from savings accrued from purchase of fire apparatus in 2004).

Homeland Security Grant: Appropriate \$19,384.87 from Account #102012.7851 (to be reimbursed upon receipt of the grant fund from state OES).


James R. Krueger, Finance Director


Michael E. Pretz, Fire Chief

MEP/lh
C: City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-194

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTING THE FIRE ACT AND
HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF
HIGH-PRESSURE, SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND RELATED
EQUIPMENT, AND FURTHER APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THIS PURCHASE

WHEREAS, in April 2004, the City Council approved a cooperative effort between the Waterloo-Morada Fire District and the Lodi Fire Department to apply for a FIRE Act grant; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Fire Department has participated in the Department of Homeland Security grants for several years, which are utilized to upgrade firefighter safety equipment; and

WHEREAS, the grants will be used to purchase 45 new high-pressure MSA self-contained breathing apparatus including spare bottles, communications equipment, a mobile compressor, and testing and maintenance equipment; and

WHEREAS, this project was conducted in cooperation with surrounding Fire Districts that provide mutual aid to the City of Lodi during multiple alarms or whenever Lodi Fire Department apparatus is otherwise engaged; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the project exceeds \$700,000, with the City of Lodi receiving over \$300,000 in equipment; and

WHEREAS, staff therefore recommends acceptance of the FIRE Act and Homeland Security grants; recommends approval of the purchase of 45 new high-pressure MSA self-contained breathing apparatus and related equipment; and further recommends appropriating funds for the purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby accepts the FIRE Act and Homeland Security grants; hereby approves the purchase of 45 new high-pressure MSA self-contained breathing apparatus and related equipment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby appropriates funds as follows:

Fire Act Grant: \$30,000 from Account #1410.2354 (from savings accrued from purchase of fire apparatus in 2004) for this purchase; and

Homeland Security Grant: \$19,384.87 from Account #102012.7851 (to be reimbursed upon receipt of the grant fund from State OES).

Dated: September 21, 2005

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2005-194 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held September 21, 2005, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Hitchcock, Johnson, Mounce,
and Mayor Beckman

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk