



**County Fire Department  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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**AGENDA DATE:** September 11, 2018

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
County Counsel Sign-Off	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**SUBJECT:** Approve a grant award agreement with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a grant award agreement with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant in the amount of \$1,299.
2. Authorize the Fire Chief, or his designee, to sign any related grant certification forms as required under the terms of the grant agreement.
3. Authorize the chairman of the Board to sign four (4) copies of the Volunteer Fire Assistance Agreement.

**SUMMARY:**

The Tulare County Fire Department has applied for and been awarded a California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant in the amount of \$1,298.10 to purchase personal protective gear.

The Fire Department consists of a combination of approximately 93 paid personnel and 180 extra-help/paid-call firefighters. The combinations of personnel provide Fire, EMS, and other responses from twenty-seven (27) County Fire stations. Each station is supported by extra-help firefighters that respond from home when their radio pagers are activated simultaneously with the station alarm system(s). The response of extra-help firefighters to emergency incidents is dependent on good

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working personal protective equipment and gear. Acceptance of this grant award will allow the Tulare County Fire Department to continue providing critical public services.

The Board previously approved the submission of the grant application on May 08, 2018, through Resolution No. 2018-0314.

We would like to bring to the Board's attention the following deviations from County Contract Protocol: 1) County must sign the agreement first; 2) County must indemnify the State; 3) The State has the option to invalidate the agreement under the 30 day cancellation clause or to amend the agreement to reflect any reduction in funds; 4) The agreement is contingent on availability of sufficient funds; 5) The agreement is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions as enacted by Congress; 6) Creates a Federal vested interest in any item purchased with VFA Grant funds in excess of \$5000; 7) Requires the County to notify the State when such property is disposed of.

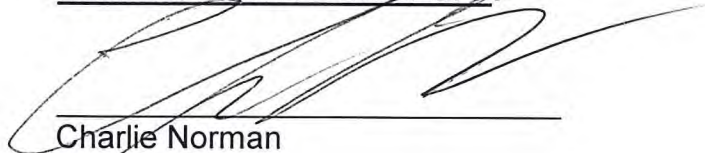
**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

The grant award is \$1,298.10, with a 50/50 match funding requirement, , and will be procured during Fiscal Year 2018/19. Grant-related expenditures and revenues are included in the Fiscal Year 2018/19 budget.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security initiative, which calls for planning and coordinating emergency preparedness and response. Approval of this request will support efforts to provide necessary emergency equipment for support personnel and first responders.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**



Charlie Norman  
Fire Chief

cc: Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s)  
Grant Agreement

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A )  
GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT WITH ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF ) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: MICHAEL C. SPATA  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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