



County Fire Department

COUNTY OF TULARE

AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: REVISED - September 17, 2019

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"/>
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 type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Annie Haynes PHONE: (559) 802-9820				

SUBJECT: Approve a State of California Office of Traffic Safety Grant Agreement

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve an agreement to accept grant funding from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 for five sets of Hurst (better known as "Jaws of Life") extrication equipment, for the grant period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 retroactive to August 23, 2019. This request is retroactive due to the grant agreement submission deadline did not allow for a timely request and approval from your Board for the delegation of authority to the Fire Chief, or his designee(s), prior to the grant deadline date; and
2. Find that the Board had authority to authorize the Fire Chief, or his designee(s), to sign the State of California Office of Traffic Safety Grant Agreement for the Regional Collision Response and Extrication Improvement Program on August 23, 2019, and that it was in the County's best interest to execute the grant by that date.

SUMMARY:

The Tulare County Fire Department (TCFD) has applied for and been awarded a \$175,000 California Office of Traffic Safety Emergency Services Grant (OTS) for the purchase of 5 sets of Hurst (better known as "Jaws of Life") extrication equipment.

SUBJECT: Approve a State of California Office of Traffic Safety Grant Agreement
DATE: September 17, 2019

This award will assist the Fire Department in its effort to provide first responders with effective extrication equipment resulting in improved service to the disadvantaged county service areas of Dinuba, Visalia, Tulare, Porterville, Springville, Woodlake, Farmersville, Oroshi, Strathmore, Goshen, Earlimart, and Lindsay. This equipment will be used by all full time and extra help firefighting personnel throughout Tulare County. Additionally, the purchase of this equipment will meet current industry standards while assisting in the reduction of maintenance and repair costs and the replacement of obsolete equipment.

The following term deviates substantively from standard County boilerplate: Section 37 of the program manual requires the County to unilaterally indemnify the State and its agents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The grant agreement with the State of California Office of Traffic Safety to provide five sets of Hurst extrication equipment, is in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 for the grant period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020. The \$175,000 grant revenue and related expenditures are included in the Fire Department's Fiscal Year 2019/20 operational budget. There is no net County cost to the General Fund.

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 grant application will support efforts to provide necessary extrication equipment for support personnel and first responders.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Charlie Norman
Fire Chief

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Grant Agreement

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A STATE) Resolution No. _____
OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC)
SAFETY GRANT AGREEMENT)

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: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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