Resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to submit a grant application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, "Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program". If awarded, the grant will require a ten percent match of $44,600.

The grant application has two components, one to purchase 95 new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus and second, to purchase 95 spare air bottles. The information provided with this item reflects the same data as the grant application is submitted on-line.

BACKGROUND

The Congress appropriated $360 million in FFY 2001-2002 to support the 33,000 fire departments in the United States. The final program guidance was released on February 28, 2002 and the grant applications are due March 31, 2002. The grant covers four areas and they are Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety, Fire Prevention, Emergency Medical Services and Firefighting Vehicles. Departments may only apply for only one of the four categories.

After reviewing each category and budget support for the match, the department has determined that the priority remains with the Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety (Personal Protective Equipment) and the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus replacement program. This program is firefighter safety based and reflects the best approach to meet compliance with The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as well as National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) standards.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Board has authorized the Fire Chief to apply for grants in the past.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Not approve the application and forego this opportunity.
COSTS: ( ) Not Applicable
A. Budget current FY $ -0-
B. Total anticipated costs $ -0-
C. Required Additional funding $_______
D. Internal transfers $_______

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number
the pages consecutively

SOURCE: ( ) 4/5ths Vote Required
A. Unanticipated revenues $_______
B. Reserve for contingencies $_______
C. Source Description:
D. Balance in reserve for contingencies
   if approved: $_______
   Contingency

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Resolution No: 02-79 Order No: _______
Vote - Ayes 5 Noes _______
   Absent _______ Abstained _______
   ( ) Approved ( ) Denied
   ( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No action necessary
The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of
the original on file in this office.

Date:

ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: ____________________________
   Deputy

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS RECOMMENDATIONS
This item on agenda as:
   _______ Recommended
   _____ For policy determination
   X    Submitted with comment
   ____ Return for further action

Comments: _________________________
   Recommendation is
   Dept to return for budget
   action and authority to
   accept grant if awarded.
   A.O. Initials: _______
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: BLAINE SHULTZ, Fire Chief
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Grant Application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency Resolution No. 02-78

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on March 19, 2002

ACTION AND VOTE:

Blaine Shultz, Fire Chief;
Authorize the Fire Chief to Submit a Grant Application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Requiring a 10 Percent Match of County Funds or $44,600 if Awarded

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Blaine Shultz. He advised that the match would need to be considered for the next fiscal year’s budget if the grant is awarded. (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly, Res. 02-78 was adopted/Ayes: Unanimous. Further discussion was held relative to the status of filling the Deputy Fire Chief position and testing of the breathing apparatus equipment.

cc: Ken Hawkins, Auditor
    Mary Hodson, Staff Analyst
    File