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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A FEMA GRANT FOR \$363,637.00 UNDER THE FY 2016 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF A RESCUE VEHICLE FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK FIRE DEPARTMENT; APPROPRIATING THE CITY'S LOCAL SHARE FROM ACT 833 FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the North Little Rock Fire Department ("NLRFD") needs to purchase a rescue vehicle (see NLRFD grant application narrative attached hereto as Exhibit "A"); and

WHEREAS, the application of the NLRFD to the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") and the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") under the FY 2016 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program was approved for the purchase of a rescue vehicle (see letter from FEMA attached hereto as Exhibit "B"); and

WHEREAS, the award pursuant to FEMA Grant No. EMW-2016-FV-00626 is \$363,637.00 for the Federal share, with the local match being \$36,363.00 (see Summary Award Memo attached hereto as Exhibit "C"); and

WHEREAS, there is a sufficient amount available in Act 833 Funds to cover the local share.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That FEMA and DHS Grant No. EMW-2016-FV-00626, in the amount of Three Hundred Sixty-three Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-seven & 00/100 Dollars (\$363,637.00), for purchase of a rescue vehicle as described herein, is hereby accepted.

SECTION 2: That the sum of Thirty-six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-three & 00/100 Dollars (\$36,363.00), representing the City's local share, is hereby appropriated from Act 833 Funds.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

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Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

Joe A. Smith  
Mayor Joe A. Smith

ATTEST:

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Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

C. Jason Carter  
C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b

FILED	<u>11:08</u>	A.M.	_____	P.M.
By	<u>City Atty Jason Carter</u>			
DATE	<u>8-8-17</u>			
<b>Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas</b>				
RECEIVED BY	<u>Ho Thomas</u>			

The North Little Rock Fire Department is seeking funding to acquire a replacement heavy rescue truck, and to include equipment required per NFPA standards. This truck will be designed and fitted with:

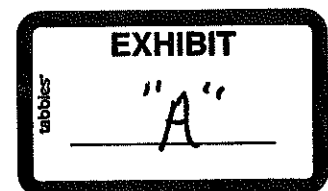
Cascade/air filling station

No less than 30 kWh generator

360 degree scene lighting

This vehicle will be built to the most current edition of NFPA standards. Being able to respond to calls for assistance from our citizens as well as neighboring departments is crucial for any fire department. As part of our department's ongoing strategic planning, a study was recently conducted using an outside consulting firm, as well as in-house incident reporting software, we developed a needs and risk assessment. It was determined at that time that additional specialized and tactical rescue coverage was essential. Our operational planning encompasses both near and long term preparedness strategies. Of particular importance is the safeguarding of our citizens, firefighters, and the critical infrastructure within our operational area. Additionally, State and Federal initiatives, goals, and objectives play a critical role in our strategic planning. We considered NIMS, the National Preparedness Goal, our risk based priorities, national capabilities, and improving our interoperability in our decision to pursue funding for this vehicle.

Our current operational Rescue apparatuses have an average age of 21 years old, with the oldest unit being 26 years old. This vehicle is a repurposed commercial box-type van with seating for 2 personnel. The restraints for the protections of the fire fighter are lap type seatbelt, and do meet with the current NFPA standards. If awarded funding, this apparatus will be removed from emergency service. Also to be noted is the maintenance costs incurred for the last four years. In years 2013 and 2014 the North Little Rock Fire Department spent \$274,379.75, combined, for non-routine repairs to our aging fleet.





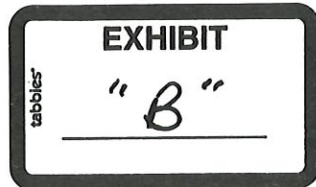
HAZ MAT -1 at Fire Station 2 (E. Broadway) will be taken out of emergency service (per the grant). And be replaced with the Current Rescue-1 from Central Station.



This Rescue truck (currently Rescue-1) will replace HAZ MAT-1. The replacement for this Rescue has already been ordered and funds appropriated from FY16 budget.



Rescue 5, at the Park Hill station, will be replaced with a new truck using the AFG grant funding within this legislation. The current truck will go into our reserve fleet as Standby Rescue 1.



U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Washington, D.C. 20472



**FEMA**

Mr. Billy Jones  
North Little Rock Fire Department  
300 N. Main Street  
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114-5326

Re: Award No.EMW-2016-FV-00626

Dear Mr. Jones:

Congratulations, on behalf of the Department of Homeland Security, your application for financial assistance submitted under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Assistance to Firefighters Grant has been approved in the amount of \$363,637.00. As a condition of this award, you are required to contribute a cost match in the amount of \$36,363.00 of non-Federal funds, or 10 percent of the Federal contribution of \$363,637.00.

**Before you request and receive any of the Federal funds awarded to you, you must establish acceptance of the award through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Programs' e-grant system.** By accepting this award, you acknowledge that the terms of the following documents are incorporated into the terms of your award:

- Summary Award Memo
- Agreement Articles (attached to this Award Letter)
- Obligating Document (attached to this Award Letter)
- FY 2016 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity.

Please make sure you read, understand, and maintain a copy of these documents in your official file for this award.

**Prior to requesting Federal funds, all recipients are required to register in the System for Award Management (SAM.gov).** As the recipient, you must register and maintain current information in SAM.gov until you submit the final financial report required under this award or receive the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the recipient review and update the information annually after the initial registration, and more frequently for changes in your information. There is no charge to register in SAM.gov. Your registration must be completed on-line at <https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM/>. It is your entity's responsibility to have a valid DUNS number at the time of registration.

In order to establish acceptance of the award and its terms, please follow these instructions:

**Step 1:** Please go to <https://portal.fema.gov> to accept or decline your award. This will take you to the Assistance to Firefighters eGrants system. Enter your User Name and Password as requested on the login screen. Your User Name and Password are the same as those used to complete the application on-line.

Once you are in the system, the Status page will be the first screen you see. On the right side of the Status screen, you will see a column entitled Action. In this column, please select the View Award Package from the drop down menu. Click Go to view your award package and indicate your acceptance or declination of award. PLEASE NOTE: your period of performance has begun. If you wish to accept your grant, you should do so immediately. When you have finished, we recommend printing your award package for your records.

**Step 2:** If you accept your award, you will see a link on the left side of the screen that says "Update 1199A" in the Action column. Click this link. This link will take you to the SF-1199A, Direct Deposit Sign-up Form. Please complete the SF-1199A on-line if you have not done so already. When you have finished, you must submit

the form electronically. Then, using the Print 1199A Button, print a copy and take it to your bank to have the bottom portion completed. Make sure your application number is on the form. After your bank has filled out their portion of the form, you must fax a copy of the form to FEMA's SF-1199 Processing Staff at 540-504-2883. You should keep the original form in your grant files. After the faxed version of your SF 1199A has been reviewed you will receive an email indicating the form is approved. Once approved you will be able to request payments online. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your 1199A, or the process to request your funds, please call (866) 274-0960.

Sincerely,



Bridget Bean  
Acting Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs

Summary Award Memo



**SUMMARY OF ASSISTANCE ACTION  
ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM  
Application**

**INSTRUMENT:** GRANT  
**AGREEMENT NUMBER:** EMW-2016-FV-00626  
**GRANTEE:** North Little Rock Fire Department  
**DUNS NUMBER:** 075636001  
**AMOUNT:** \$400,000.00, Vehicle Acquisition

**Project Description**

The purpose of the Assistance to Firefighters Program is to protect the health and safety of the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards.

After careful consideration, FEMA has determined that the recipient's project or projects submitted as part of the recipient's application, and detailed in the project narrative as well as the request details section of the application - including budget information - was consistent with the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program's purpose and worthy of award. The projects approved for funding are indicated by the budget or negotiation comments below. The recipient shall perform the work described in the grant application for the recipient's approved project or projects as itemized in the request details section of the application and further described in the grant application narrative. The content of the approved portions of the application - along with any documents submitted with the recipient's application - are incorporated by reference into the terms of the recipient's award. The recipient may not change or make any material deviations from the approved scope of work outlined in the above referenced sections of the application without prior written approval, via amendment request, from FEMA.

**Period of Performance**

10-JUL-17 to 09-JUL-18

**Amount Awarded**

The amount of the award is detailed in the attached Obligating Document for Award. The following are the budgeted estimates for object classes for this grant (including Federal share plus recipient match):

Personnel:	\$0.00
Fringe Benefits	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00
Equipment	\$400,000.00
Supplies	\$0.00
Contractual	\$0.00
Construction	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00
Indirect Charges	\$0.00



State Taxes	\$0.00
Total	\$400,000.00

**NEGOTIATION COMMENTS IF APPLICABLE (max 8000 characters)**

The Program Office has made the following reductions to your grant:

Funds for Rescue Vehicle were reduced to \$400,000.  
Additional Funding was not a fundable portion of this application and was removed from your award.

Therefore, they have recommended the award at this level:

Total budget \$ 400,000  
Federal share \$ 363,637  
Applicant share \$ 36,363

Any questions pertaining to your award package, please contact your GPD Grants Management Specialist:

Deneen Thompson  
Deneen.thompson@fema.dhs.gov

**FEMA Officials**

**Program Officer:** The Program Specialist is responsible for the technical monitoring of the stages of work and technical performance of the activities described in the approved grant application. If you have any programmatic questions regarding your grant, please call the AFG Help Desk at 866-274-0960 to be directed to a program specialist.

**Grants Assistance Officer:** The Assistance Officer is the Federal official responsible for negotiating, administering, and executing all grant business matters. The Officer conducts the final business review of all grant awards and permits the obligation of federal funds. If you have any questions regarding your grant please call ASK-GMD at 866-927-5646 to be directed to a Grants Management Specialist.

**Grants Operations POC:** The Grants Management Specialist shall be contacted to address all financial and administrative grant business matters for this grant award. If you have any questions regarding your grant please call ASK-GMD at 866-927-5646 to be directed to a specialist.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS (IF APPLICABLE) (max 8000 characters)**

National Environmental Policy Act

All recipients must comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, which requires recipients to use all practicable means within their authority, and consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to create and maintain conditions under which people and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic, and other needs of present and future generations of Americans.

Nondiscrimination in Matters Pertaining to Faith-Based Organizations

It is DHS policy to ensure the equal treatment of faith-based organizations in social service programs administered or supported by DHS or its component agencies, enabling those organizations to participate in providing important social services to beneficiaries. All recipients must comply with the equal treatment policies and requirements contained in 6 C.F.R. Part 19 and other applicable statutes, regulations, and guidance governing the participations of faith-based organizations in individual DHS programs.

**FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
OBLIGATING DOCUMENT FOR AWARD/AMENDMENT**

1a. AGREEMENT NO. EMW-2016-FV-00626  
 2. AMENDMENT NO. 0  
 3. RECIPIENT NO. 71-6009176  
 4. TYPE OF ACTION AWARD  
 5. CONTROL NO. WX01287N2017T  
 6. RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS  
 North Little Rock Fire Department  
 723 Maple Street  
 North Little Rock  
 Arkansas, 72114-4623  
 7. ISSUING OFFICE AND ADDRESS  
 Grant Programs Directorate  
 500 C Street, S.W.  
 Washington DC, 20528-7000  
 POC: Marketa Walker  
 8. PAYMENT OFFICE AND ADDRESS  
 FEMA, Financial Services Branch  
 500 C Street, S.W., Room 723  
 Washington DC, 20472  
 9. NAME OF RECIPIENT PROJECT OFFICER Billy Jones  
 PHONE NO. 5013405386  
 10. NAME OF PROJECT COORDINATOR Catherine Patterson  
 PHONE NO. 1-866-274-0960  
 11. EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACTION 10-JUL-17  
 12. METHOD OF PAYMENT SF-270  
 13. ASSISTANCE ARRANGEMENT Cost Sharing  
 14. PERFORMANCE PERIOD From:10-JUL-17 To:09-JUL-18

Budget Period  
 From:29-JAN-17 To:30-SEP-17

15. DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

a. (Indicate funding data for awards or financial changes)

PROGRAM NAME ACRONYM	CFDA NO.	ACCOUNTING DATA (ACCS CODE) XXXX-XXX-XXXXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-X	PRIOR TOTAL AWARD	AMOUNT AWARDED THIS ACTION + OR (-)	CURRENT TOTAL AWARD	CUMULATIVE NON-FEDERAL COMMITMENT
AFG	97.044	2017-F6-C111-P4310000-4101-D	\$0.00	\$363,637.00	\$363,637.00	\$36,363.00
TOTALS			\$0.00	\$363,637.00	\$363,637.00	\$36,363.00

b. To describe changes other than funding data or financial changes, attach schedule and check here.  
 N/A

16a. FOR NON-DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS REQUIRED TO SIGN AND RETURN THREE (3) COPIES OF THIS DOCUMENT TO FEMA (See Block 7 for address)

*Assistance to Firefighters Grant recipients are not required to sign and return copies of this document. However, recipients should print and keep a copy of this document for their records.*

16b. FOR DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO SIGN

This assistance is subject to terms and conditions attached to this award notice or by incorporated reference in program legislation cited above.

17. RECIPIENT SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)  
 N/A

DATE  
 N/A

18. FEMA SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)  
 Marketa Walker

DATE  
 05-JUL-17

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