



Legislation Text

File #: Res. 2018-47R, **Version:** 1

AGENDA CAPTION:

Consider approval of Resolution 2018-47R, authorizing the City Manager or his designee to apply for Homeland Security Grants for Hazardous Materials AreaRAE Equipment; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to accept, reject, alter or terminate the grants, if awarded, and to execute all contracts and documents as necessary to implement the grants; and declaring an effective date.

Meeting date: April 3, 2018

Department: Neighborhood Services - Emergency Management

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: N/A

Account Number: N/A

Funds Available: N/A

Account Name: N/A

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: Click or tap here to enter text.

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

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Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

- ☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
- ☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
- ☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
- ☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
- ☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
- ☐ Transportation - Choose an item.
- ☒ Not Applicable

Master Plan: *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

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Background Information:

The City of San Marcos is a lead agency in the Capital Area Regional Response Plan providing a CBRNE (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive) Hazardous Materials response capability and a regional law enforcement component. The city has participated in this regional response concept since 2003.

The City, along with the county, have received numerous grants and equipment disbursements in order to maintain and operate a CBRNE/All Hazards Task Force. This capability allows our organization to increase our state of readiness in responding to CBRNE and other hazardous materials incidents.

The City intends to apply for grants to increase our capabilities. These applications of equipment include HazMat AreaRAEs. This resolution authorizes the City Manager to apply for the CBRNE/Hazardous Materials AreaRAEs equipment grant.

The AreaRAE equipment is a wireless transportable area monitor that can simultaneously detect toxic and combustible gases, volatile organic chemicals, radiation and meteorological factors. The AreaRAE monitors send gas and radiation data to remote monitoring software that enables us to see real-time threat readings from a safe location on any computer with an internet connection. It can be set up to monitor a fence line, public venue, or setting up a perimeter at a fire.

The City intends to utilize this equipment in concert with the existing rules and regulations of the Office of the Governor, State Administrative Agency and other regulatory organizations as presented in the grant guidance and authorizing Grant Award Notice.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action: N/A

Alternatives: N/A

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution as submitted.