



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to authorize additional expenditure of \$9,500 and recognize revenue from Emergency Management’s Award of \$9,500 for the North Carolina Tier II Grant for Fiscal Year 2019 from North Carolina Emergency Management. The Emergency Management Hazardous Materials Planner applied for this grant to purchase the following materials: PEAC software for Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Plan Development, audio/visual equipment for LEPC meetings, and LEPC promotional materials.

Background/Justification

The LEPC is a legally mandated Committee tasked with working to understand the hazardous materials stored in the Durham County community, develop emergency plans in case of an accidental release or natural disaster, and look for ways to prevent accidents. Promoting membership to the LEPC is crucial to local hazardous materials planning and community right-to-know programs.

Durham County Emergency Management is responsible for ensuring the local hazard analysis adequately addresses hazardous materials incident and incorporating planning for hazardous materials incidents in the Emergency Operations Plan. The PEAC software being requested will assist in worst case scenario modeling and evacuation planning to inform the hazardous materials plan.

As we continue to appeal to local businesses to join the LEPC, the membership is growing. The Committee is working with businesses to host quarterly meetings and are in need of audio/visual equipment to establish meetings in any space. Promotional materials invigorate the interest in the LEPC and assist with making our mission publicly know.

Policy Impact

Approving this grant is consistent with past actions by the Board of County Commissioners. The request for increased expenditure will be offset by increased revenue.

Procurement Background

Procurement for these purchases will follow County Finance policy and do not require any requests for deviation from said policy.

Fiscal Impact

No County match is required for the grant.



Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board approve additional expenditure of \$9,500 and recognize revenue from NC Tier II Grant from North Carolina Emergency Management for \$9,500.