

## **Durham County**

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## **Legislation Text**

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## **Item:**

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 19BCC000054 - Approving a Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant from the State of North Carolina Division of Emergency Management (NCEM)

**Date of BOCC Meeting: May 13, 2019** 

## **Request for Board Action:**

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 19BCC000054 approving the HMEP Grant # HM-HMP-0544-16-02-00 and recognizing \$9,125 in additional revenue and reducing General Fund-Fund Balance by \$9,125. This grant reimburses the County for personnel expenses utilized for conducting a Commodity Flow Study. The HMEP Grant Program provides financial and technical assistance to enhance State, Territorial, Tribal, and local hazardous materials emergency planning and training. The HMEP Grant is a pass-through program that distributes funds from the state to emergency responders for hazmat training and to Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC's) for hazmat planning.

By conducting the Commodity Flow Study, Emergency Management and emergency responders now have a better understanding of what hazardous materials are being transported through our community by rail, highway, and pipeline. Knowing which hazardous materials are most prevalent in our community helps emergency planners prioritize and better prepare for emergency incidents involving these substances.

Since this is a reimbursement of expenditures already encumbered rather than increasing expenses, the General Fund Fund Balance as a revenue source is being reduced in order to maintain a balanced budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Goal 3: Safe Community

Resource Persons: James E. Groves, Fire Marshal/Emergency Management Director

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment 19BCC000054 approving the HMEP Grant # HM-HMP-0544-16-02-00 and recognizing \$9,125 in additional revenue and reducing General Fund Fund Balance by \$9,125.

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