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RESOLUTION 2017-02

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE SAN FRANCISCO FIRE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$785,762 FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO PURCHASE THERMAL IMAGING CAMERAS AND STRESS UNIT RESOURCES

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD) responds to over 140,000 incidents each year, including fires, vehicle accidents, and medical and other emergencies; and,

WHEREAS, The Department currently uses thermal imaging cameras (TICs) to assist crews in viewing areas of heat in response to an incident; and,

WHEREAS, The Department's current inventory of TICs are in need of replacement and upgrade given their use and age; and,

WHEREAS, The Department's Stress Unit is a vital resource for its members to assist with mental and emotional health issues given the highly stressful demands of the Fire and Emergency Medical Services professions; and,

WHEREAS, The SFFD applied for and was awarded a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant in the amount of \$785,762 to procure thermal imaging cameras as well as resources for its Stress Unit; and,

WHEREAS, The grant requires the City to provide matching funds worth 10 percent of the total Federal award, or \$78,576; and,

WHEREAS, the FEMA grant requires the SFFD to complete the grant project by May 4, 2018; and,

WHEREAS, The SFFD wishes to accept and expend the grant, to support its Bureau of Equipment and Stress Unit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Fire Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Fire Department to accept and expend a grant from FEMA in the amount of \$785,762 for the purchase of thermal imaging cameras and stress unit resources.

Adopted at the Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Fire Commission on July 26, 2017.

Ayes: 4 (Nakajo, Hardeman, Covington, Veronese) Nays: 0

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Maureen Conefrey, Fire Commission Secretary