

RACINE FIRE DEPARTMENT Chief's Office: 262-635-7911

September 30, 2008

Honorable Mayor and Common Council

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

Earlier this spring, the Fire Department requested permission to apply for and receive a 2007 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant in the amount of \$50,000 for various upgrades to the Racine Fire Department Tactical Command Post. There is no required match involved from the City. Grant Control Number 2008-009.

The grant funds have now been released and the department is ready to purchase upgrade equipment, when the proper paperwork is signed by the Mayor and City Clerk. These upgrades include communications equipment, video surveillance equipment, remote video monitoring equipment, a Smart Card Photo ID system and various other enhancements to the Tactical Command Post. The City needs to make the initial outlay and reimbursement up to \$50,000 will be made by the Office of Justice Assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

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