



July 11, 2013

Honorable Mayor and Common Council

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council,

I would like to request permission to apply for and accept if awarded the 2013 Port Security grant for Water Rescue Equipment and Water Rescue Training.

The Fire Department is requesting permission to apply for the 2013 Port Security Grant to acquire additional water rescue equipment and to provide water rescue training for our 28 fire department rescue divers in 2014 and 2015. The grant funds can be disbursed over a 2 year period of time.

At this time, the grant guidance documents have not been released however; we have been informed that the grant will require a 25% match which will be budgeted under the 2014 fire department budget. The total financial request is for \$49,000 of which the fire department will budget \$12,250 for the match.

It is anticipated that the Federal Government will formally accept applications in August 2013. The grant request is for \$49,000 and the City will be responsible for a 25% match or \$12,250 which will be budgeted in the 2014 Fire Department budget.

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Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief

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