

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: May 8, 2018

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

From: Darrel Donatto, Fire Rescue Chief

Re: Palm Beach County Emergency Medical service grant reimbursement
Resolution No: 60-2018

Date: April 10, 2018

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Town Council approve the Palm Beach County Emergency Medical Service grant request.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This grant program is administered under section 163.01, Florida Statutes. The Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (DOHEMS) is authorized by chapter 401, part II, Florida Statutes, to dispense grant funds. Forty five percent (45%) of these funds are made available to the 67 Boards of County Commissioners throughout the State to improve and expand pre-hospital Emergency Medical Services in their county.

The prehospital EMS projects may include, but not be limited to, increasing existing levels of EMS, evaluation, community education, injury-prevention programs, training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and other lifesaving and first aid techniques.

Palm Beach Fire Rescue is requesting one (1) Stryker Power Load Cot Fastening System and associated accessories for one of the department's ambulances. The Power Load System lifts and lowers a stretcher into and out of an ambulance, reducing spinal loads and the risk of cumulative trauma injuries to paramedics. The Power Load System improves operator and patient safety by supporting the stretcher throughout the loading and unloading process. The County agrees to reimburse the Town from its 2017-2018 EMS state grant funds for the purchase, and the Town agrees to accept the said reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the EMS State grant.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

Fire-Rescue will use the Grant Equipment (001.40.417.526.60.64.09) to fund the project cost of the grant request. The Town of Palm Beach portion of the grant is \$0.00 with up to \$25,000.00 (100%) funding received from approved Palm Beach County Emergency Medical service grant reimbursement program.

PURCHASING REVIEW

This item has been reviewed by the Purchasing Division and approved as recommended.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

The resolution has been approved by the Town Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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Attachment: Palm Beach County Emergency Medical Service grants reimbursement agreement.

cc: Jane Struder, Director of Finance
Darrel Donatto, Fire Rescue Chief
Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager
John Randolph, Town Attorney