

Date: November 28, 2022
Amount: \$20,000.00
Account Number:

EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

PURPOSE: To authorize the filing of an application to the Missouri Department of Public Safety by the U.S. Department of the Treasury for an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Fire Protection Grant (FPG) in the amount of \$20,000 with a 50% local APRA match of \$20,000 for a total amount of \$40,000 for fire protection/service activities.

REMARKS: The Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) collaborates with state and local fire protection entities to provide a proactive approach for the public safety of Missourians. The Missouri Department of Public Safety has available up to \$20,000 in grant funding opportunities for local law enforcement, fire service, and EMS agencies to enhance and support fire protection and services throughout the state of Missouri. A total of \$30 million in grant funding by the U.S. Department of the Treasury is available, \$10 million for each public safety discipline. The deadline to apply is December 5, 2022.

Eligible grant costs include equipment, supplies, training, travel, personnel, benefits, and contractual expenses. The grant requires a local match of 50 percent. If the grant is awarded, staff intends to propose the grant match be provided by using local ARPA grant funds. Grant funds must be expended by April 30, 2023.

The funding for these public safety grants is made available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and was made possible through Missouri House Bill 3020 Section 20.150.