

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE**: January 11, 2021

SUBJECT: Consider Resolution No. 2021-001, accepting the 2021 Homeland

Security Grant Program (HSGP) Urban Area Security Initiative

(UASI) grant in the amount of \$62,801.38.

PRESENTER: Kenneth Rawson, Assistant Fire Chief

SUMMARY:

The City of North Richland Hills has been awarded funds from the 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant for \$62,801.38. These items are for the North East Fire Department Association (NEFDA) Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) team housed in North Richland Hills. This grant will go towards the purchase of a new robot system used to mitigate explosive ordnance calls for service. North Richland Hills will accept the funds, manage the grant, and transfer ownership of the robot to NEFDA. The grant requires no matching funds from North Richland Hills.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Northeast Fire Department Association (NEFDA) is comprised of fourteen (14) jurisdictions in northeast Tarrant and southern Denton counties. The cities in NEFDA are North Richland Hills, Richland Hills, Haltom City, Hurst, Grapevine, Southlake, Colleyville, Keller, Watauga, Bedford, Euless, Roanoke, Westlake, and Trophy Club. This grant is for the NEFDA Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) team. This grant will go towards the purchase of a new robot system used to mitigate explosive ordnance calls for service. The robot system will be purchased through a separate agreement which will be brought to City Council for consideration at a later meeting. This item will be placed on the EOD team vehicle housed at North Richland Hills. The grant requires no matching funds.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution No. 2021-001, accepting the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant in the amount of \$62,801.38.