

## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

- **FROM:** The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** January 25, 2021
- **SUBJECT:** Authorize purchase from ICOR Technology, Inc. for an explosive ordnance disposal robot utilizing 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. City Council approved Resolution No. 2021-001 at the January 11, 2021 Council Meeting accepting the grant funds. If approved, North Richland Hills will utilize the funds to purchase a new robot system used to mitigate explosive ordnance calls for service. North Richland Hills will purchase the robot which will be placed on the NEFDA EOD vehicle. 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. The grant funds will go towards the purchase of a new robot system used to mitigate explosive ordnance calls for service. This item will be placed on the NEFDA EOD team vehicle housed at North Richland Hills. The grant requires no matching funds.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize purchase from ICOR Technology, Inc. for an explosive ordnance disposal robot utilizing the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant in the amount of \$62,801.38.