

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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MYR FY2020 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program

Agenda Item#: 21.



Summary:

ORDINANCE authorizing submission of an electronic application for grant assistance to the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE FY2020 REGIONAL CATASTROPHIC PREPAREDNESS GRANT PROGRAM in accordance with the FY2020 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program; declaring the City's eligibility for such Grant; authorizing the Director of the Mayor's Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept the Grant and expend the Grant Funds as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program

Background:

It is recommended that Council authorize the Director of the Mayor's Office of Public Safety & Homeland Security to apply for, accept received awards, and to request and/or accept any amendments/modifications to this agreement or any subsequent agreements necessary to secure Houston's allocation through this grant program (not to exceed five years).

The FY 2020 RCPGP, as appropriated by the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2020 (Pub. L. No. 116-93), provides resources to close known preparedness capability gaps, encourage innovative regional solutions to issues related to catastrophic incidents, and builds on existing regional preparedness efforts.

The City of Houston requests authorization to apply for, accept, and manage funds that will be used to develop a suite of products and events under this initiative to include:

- Pandemic Planning Assessment, Data Exchange Platform, and Decision Support Platform;
- Personnel to execute goals of the Regional Catastrophic Planning Initiative program
- Lifeline seminars, exercises, and training materials;

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

George T. Buenik, Director

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance 2019-768

Amount of Funding:

\$790,121.00 Federal Government Grant Fund Fund 5000

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