

Introduced by: Mayor David Pruhs  
Finance Committee: January 17, 2023  
Introduced: January 23, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 5045**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO APPLY FOR FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE FFY2022 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Homeland Security provides funds through the SAFER Grant Program to assist fire departments in increasing the number of firefighters to meet industry minimum standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks Fire Department has requested an increase in staffing for several years; and

**WHEREAS**, the SAFER Grant Program will provide funding for new firefighters for a period of three years, and there is no cost share or match or position cost limit; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks Fire Department wishes to increase its overall staffing by four to seven firefighters; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks wishes to request \$1,286,400 for four firefighters.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute any and all documents required for requesting funds on behalf of the City for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant.


**PASSED and APPROVED this 23rd Day of January 2023.**



**David Pruhs, City Mayor**

AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Marney  
APPROVED: January 23, 2023

ATTEST:

  
D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**I. REQUEST:**

Ordinance or Resolution No: 5045

Abbreviated Title: FFY2022 SAFER Grant Program

Department(s): Fire Department

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

1) additional costs beyond the current adopted budget? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

2) additional support or maintenance costs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

If yes, what is the estimate? see below

3) additional positions beyond the current adopted budget? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how many positions? 4

If yes, type of positions? F (F - Full Time, P - Part Time, T - Temporary)

**II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:**

<b>PROJECT EXPENSES:</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Personnel Wages & Benefits (4 Firefighters)	\$415,200	\$428,800	\$442,400	\$1,286,400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$415,200</b>	<b>\$428,800</b>	<b>\$442,400</b>	<b>\$1,286,400</b>

<b>FUNDING SOURCE:</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Grant Funds (Federal)	\$415,200	\$428,800	\$442,400	\$1,286,400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$415,200</b>	<b>\$428,800</b>	<b>\$442,400</b>	<b>\$1,286,400</b>

The SAFER Grant will pay salary and associated benefits for firefighters primarily assigned on a fire suppression vehicle. The City will have new hire costs of \$100,000 in year 1 and yearly training (\$500) and clothing allowance (\$600) costs in year 2 and year 3. The City of Fairbanks will be required to maintain the same level of staffing during the grant performance period. This grant does not require a match or retention after the granting period.

Reviewed by Finance Department: Initial SF Date 1/13/2022