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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT TO IMPLEMENT BLUE CARD COMMAND TRAINING

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has been awarded funds under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) by the Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$81,818.18; and,

WHEREAS, the funding will be used to add ten Blue Card Command training instructors to provide this training to Fire Department staff, along with regional support for the departments that respond with the City; and

WHEREAS, Blue Card Command is a training and certification system that provides incident commanders with a set of standard practices for managing and deploying resources at emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the grant includes a local match of \$8,180, which will be covered using existing general fund resources, for a total project cost of \$90,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Public Safety Committees, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept the funds awarded by FEMA and to execute any pertinent documentation necessary to implement this grant.