

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Federal Emergency Management Agency -
2 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program - Personal Protection Equipment - \$2,325,133.81]

3 **Resolution retroactively authorizing the Fire Department to accept and expend a grant**
4 **in the amount of \$2,325,133.81 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency**
5 **(FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to purchase Personal Protection**
6 **Equipment (PPE) for the performance period of September 12, 2023, through**
7 **September 11, 2025.**

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9 WHEREAS, The Fire Department (SFFD) responds to over 150,000 incidents each
10 year, including fires, vehicle accidents, and medical and other emergencies; and

11 WHEREAS, Due to San Francisco’s geographic and topographic layout, as well as
12 other factors, the SFFD is confronted with unique challenges in responding to these incidents;
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14 WHEREAS, The SFFD applied for and was awarded a Fiscal Year 2022 Assistance to
15 Firefighters Grant (AFG) from FEMA in the amount of \$2,325,133.81 for new Turnout PPE
16 Coats and Pants designed to protect firefighters from serious injuries or illness resulting from
17 contact with fire, Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives (CBRNE)
18 hazards and more; and

19 WHEREAS, The use of these grant funds will allow the SFFD to procure new compliant
20 PPE equipment to replace existing Turnout PPE Coats and Pants designed to protect
21 firefighters from serious injuries or illness resulting from contact with fire and CBRNE, and
22 thereby strengthening the SFFD’s ability to ensure the safety and health of its members; and

23 WHEREAS, The FEMA grant requires SFFD to purchase the equipment by
24 September 11, 2025; and

1 WHEREAS, The Fire Commission recommended approval of this grant at its meeting
2 on October 11, 2023; and

3 WHEREAS, The grant does not require an ASO amendment; and

4 WHEREAS, The grant requires the City to supply matching funds worth 10 percent of
5 the total award, or \$232,513.39; and

6 WHEREAS, The SFFD will provide matching funds worth 10 percent of the total award,
7 or \$232,513.39; and

8 WHEREAS, The SFFD proposes to maximize the use of the grant funds on program
9 expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the SFFD to accept and expend
11 grant funds in the amount of \$2,325,133.81 from FEMA for the purpose of purchasing new
12 personal protective equipment; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of
14 indirect costs in the grant budget; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief of the SFFD is hereby authorized and
16 empowered to execute, deliver, and perform, in the name of the City and County of San
17 Francisco, all applications, contracts, agreements, amendments, and payment requests
18 necessary for the purpose to secure the FEMA grant funds and implement and carry out the
19 purposes specified in the applicable grant application; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the agreement being fully
21 executed by all parties, SFFD shall provide the final grant agreement to the Clerk of the Board
22 for inclusion into the official file.

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