



## CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item K  
March 10, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Approval to apply for a 2013 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grant for 500 smoke alarms and 500 carbon monoxide detectors with a total potential match of \$1,000 (5%) by the City of Novi.

**SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT:** Public Safety – Fire Department *DOM*

**CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:** *[Signature]*

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has posted the FY 2013 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grants as part of the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG). The FP&S Grants support projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards. The primary goal is to reduce injury and prevent death among high-risk populations. There is just over \$32 million dollars in available grant funding. The performance period is 12 months from the date of an award. The application deadline is March 21, 2014. Grantee cost sharing is 5%.

The Novi Fire Department requests approval to apply for a project under the Fire Prevention and Safety Activity: Activities designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate the incidence of death and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards. Specifically, the department seeks approval to purchase battery powered smoke alarms and battery powered carbon-monoxide (CO) detectors. The target groups are older adults (65 and older) and mobile homes. Over the past ten years the department has experienced three deaths in mobile homes, one death in a high-rise condominium and one death in a two-story residential. Four out of five deaths were considered older adults. The City of Novi has 1,595 mobile home pads. The 2010 U.S. Census shows Novi has 6,248 older adults 65 and over and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) projects by 2040 this will increase by 134%.

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### **Proposed Budget**

**500 Smoke Alarms @ \$15 each = \$7,500**

**500 Carbon Monoxide Detectors @ \$25 each = \$12,500**

**Total Project= \$20,000**

**City of Novi 5% match = \$1,000**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to apply for a 2013 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grant for 500 smoke alarms and 500 carbon monoxide detectors with a total potential match of \$1,000 (5%) by the City of Novi.**

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<b>Mayor Gatt</b>				
<b>Mayor Pro Tem Staudt</b>				
<b>Council Member Casey</b>				
<b>Council Member Fischer</b>				

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<b>Council Member Markham</b>				
<b>Council Member Mutch</b>				
<b>Council Member Wrobel</b>				

## MEMORANDUM



**TO:** DAVID E. MOLLOY, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
**FROM:** JEFFERY R. JOHNSON, DIRECTOR OF EMS/FIRE OPERATIONS *JRJ*  
**SUBJECT:** 2013 FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY PROGRAM GRANT  
**DATE:** FEBRUARY 26, 2014

*Mayor & Council:  
FYI  
JRM*

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Should you have any questions, please let me know.

C: Clay Pearson, City Manager  
Victor Cardenas, Assistant City Manager