<u>Item Title:</u> Accept and Appropriate 2016 Homeland Security Grant Program Award

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Accepts the equipment grant award from the Department of Homeland Security through the North Carolina Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management in the amount of \$62,187 with funds to be appropriated in FY 2017; and
- 2. Authorizes the County Manager to sign grant award notification and the 2016 Homeland Security Grant Program Memorandum of Agreement.

Item Summary:

The US Department of Homeland Security and North Carolina Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management have offered a grant to assist Wake County in purchasing a mobile backup generator for use at critical infrastructure and vulnerable sites. The generator will be a standby power source for the new Emergency Services Education Center, and also available as an alternate emergency power source for Wake County 800 MHz Radio System tower sites and other critical facilities.

These funds will be used to purchase a trailer-mounted generator, cables, and power switching equipment. The serviceable lifecycle of the generator and trailer is expected to be 20 years. The grant's period of performance ends February 28, 2019. Wake County Fire Services, Division of Emergency Management will maintain the equipment with existing funds in its operating budget.

The Division of Emergency Management will manage all grant activities and general administrative requirements.

This grant award does not require matching funds.

Attachments:

- 1. Memorandum of Agreement
- 2. Budget Memo