

Item Title: Accept and Appropriate \$2,500 in Grant Funding from WakeMed on behalf of the Capital Regional Advisory Committee (CapRac) for the EMS Ambulance Strike Team

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates \$2,500 from WakeMed on behalf of the Capital Regional Advisory Committee into the Grants and Donations Fund for the EMS Ambulance Strike Team.

Item Summary:

WakeMed, on behalf of the Capital Regional Advisory Committee (CapRac), applied for and received a grant in the amount of \$516,251 from the North Carolina Office of Emergency Medical Services (NCOEMS). These funds will be used to enhance regional preparedness as outlined by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation, Office of Emergency Medical Services. NCOEMS recognizes Regional Advisory Councils as one of the primary means to distribute grant dollars for trauma, public health, and disaster preparedness. The membership includes prehospital and in-hospital representatives from throughout the region. The purpose is to coordinate care from the prehospital, in-hospital, rehabilitation, and injury prevention perspectives.

As stated in the grant application to NCOEMS, specific amounts of money were to be sub-granted to the members of CapRac for use in projects approved by NCOEMS. As a member of CapRac Wake County EMS has been sub-granted \$2,500 in funding to be used for the EMS Ambulance Strike Team. Specifically, the funds will be used to maintain readiness of supplies and maintenance associated with EMS Ambulance Strike Team trailer and equipment.

The Ambulance Strike Team is a deployable group of five ambulances, with a supervisor and logistical support trailer, used to supplement a local EMS system during a time when EMS resources in an area are overwhelmed with demand. The NC State Medical Response System has eight functional teams in the State, with Wake County EMS being the lead agency in this region. The Wake County led AST deployed for two weeks in 2016 to Robeson County after Hurricane Matthew in cooperation with ambulances from Durham, Orange, Johnston, and Franklin Counties.

There is no requirement for matching funds.

Attachments:

1. WakeMed Subcontractor Agreement
2. Listing of Wake County EMS AST Sustainment Items
3. Budget Memo