

**Item Title:** Acceptance of a 2018 Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) Tier II Grant Award

**Specific Action Requested:**

**That the Board of Commissioners:**

- 1. Accepts the 2018 EPCRA Tier II Grant via North Carolina Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$1,000 with funds to be appropriated in Grants and Donations Fund and;**
- 2. Authorizes the County Manager to sign the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2018 EPCRA Tier II Grant.**

**Item Summary:**

**Purpose:** The Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates grant awards to County departments. This grant award supports the hazardous material preparedness activities of the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) as defined in the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

**Background:** In 2015, the State of North Carolina began charging a fee to facilities reporting hazardous materials. Revenues from those fees are used to support the State's Hazardous Materials Regional Response Teams, support the information technology infrastructure that companies use to report chemicals and, and support county LEPCs. Wake County will use the funds for hazardous materials emergency response planning, training and related exercises. The grant may be used for expenses from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

**Board Goal:** This action complements Public Safety Objective 2, reducing hazards posed to existing and future buildings and develop adequate planning and communication infrastructure to prevent, mitigate and respond to emergencies related to hazardous materials.

**Fiscal Impact:** The County will receive a one-time \$1,000 payment from North Carolina Emergency Management. No matching funds are required.

**Additional Information:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. 2018 Tier II Grant Letter and MOA
2. Budget Memo