



March 21, 2014

TO: Jim Westmoreland, City Manager

FROM: Susan Crotts, Centralized Contracting Division and Grants Manager

SUBJECT: Grant Application Authorization Request for
2014 Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) Program

In accordance with City policy, match grants require City Council Approval. On March 18, 2014, the Greensboro Police Department submitted an application to the North Carolina Solar Center (NCSC) at North Carolina State University, Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) Program for \$22,682 in CFAT funds for a total grant project budget of \$41,550. The application included an estimated 20% cost share match of \$5,670 and additional contributions of \$13,198. The planned City contributions total \$18,868, and are to be leveraged from NC State Drug Excise funds. Due to the timing of the grant submittal and Council agenda preparation schedule, April 1 is the first opportunity for City Council to review this as an agenda item.

The primary purpose of CFAT is to provide funding assistance for transportation related emission reduction projects in eligible North Carolina counties. The Police Department's Center City Resource Team would like to utilize this grant to purchase equipment. If the application is approved and the grant awarded, the City would be eligible to use the grant funds for the competitively bid purchase of two electric motorcycles to be used in the Patrol Bureau's Central Division.

The Clean Fuel Advance Technology (CFAT) Program supports the City Council Priority of Crime Reduction, aligns with the Police Department's initiative of Community Policing, and provides the opportunity to extend police services to Downtown and Greenway areas by using an environmentally friendly technology in the form of electric motorcycles.

This item will be placed on the April 1st City Council agenda for Council's consideration. If you have questions in the meantime, please contact Capt. B. L. James at 336-433-7380.

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