RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF 2019 FEMA ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Fire Department is dedicated to provide suppression and emergency incident mitigation through sufficient equipment to all residents and properties within the City of Greensboro;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Fire Department has received a federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant award of \$132,545;

WHEREAS, the grant requires at least a 10% match of the application amount, totaling \$13,255 to be provided by the City with bond funds from the Greensboro Fire Department;

WHEREAS, The Greensboro Fire Department has aging equipment that needs to be replaced, to specifically protect the 450 acre tank farm;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Fire Department is eligible to apply to the US Fire Administration of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for a grant application for purchasing critical search and rescue equipment resulting in dramatic increases in civilian rescue, firefighter safety and overall fire ground performance;

WHEREAS, a local matching fund of \$13,255 will leverage \$132,545 of Federal FEMA funds for a total grant equipment budget of \$145,800;

WHEREAS, if approved by Council these funds will allow the Greensboro Fire Department to purchase equipment specifically for fire suppression at the 450 acre tank farm and above ground storage tanks; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Manager be authorized to accept the Federal Emergency Management Agency 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for Firefighting Equipment for the Tank Farm in the amount of \$132,545 include a local match of \$13,255 from bond funds, for a total grant budget of \$145,800.