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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Billy Grogan, Chief of Police

Thru: Warren Hutmacher, City Manager

Date: April 1, 2013

Subject: Acceptance of Georgia Emergency Management Agency Grant

ITEM DESCRIPTION

The Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) manages federal grants distributed through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP). The Dunwoody Police Department has been offered a 100% reimbursable grant to be used for equipment purchases for the North Metro SWAT Team.

BACKGROUND

In 2009, GEMA received grant funding for various projects within the FY2009 DHS Grant. There is money left in this grant which must be expended and equipment received by April 26, 2013.

After some research and consultation with both the Sandy Springs Police Department and the Johns Creek Police Department, who are both members of the North Metro SWAT Team, the recommended equipment to be purchased is a Lenco Bearcat Armored Vehicle. This vehicle can be used during various SWAT operations to help make those operations safer for our staff.

FUNDING

The cost of the Lenco Bearcat Armored Vehicle is \$215,700. The City of Dunwoody has to pay for the item requested in the grant first. GEMA will then reimburse the City of Dunwoody 100% of the cost. Therefore, there is no cost for the City of Dunwoody.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

At this time, staff recommends the City Council approve the acceptance of this \$215,700 grant from GEMA. The request for approval has been expedited in this case because the equipment has to be ordered and received by the April 26, 2013 deadline in order to receive the grant.