

AGENDA REPORT

DATE December 07, 2004

ITEM: Contract with Fire Logistics Incorporated - Domestic Preparedness Consultant

INITIATED BY: RANDY MCCAMLEY, FIRE CHIEF

ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVE FIRE LOGISTIC CONSULTING CONTRACT

PRESENTED BY: RANDY MCCAMLEY, FIRE CHIEF

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve the domestic preparedness-consulting contract with Fire Logistics Incorporated.

MOTION:

“I move the City Commission approve the domestic preparedness consulting contract with Fire Logistic Incorporated and that the City Manager be authorized to execute the same.”

SYNOPSIS:

Fire Logistics will assist the City of Great Falls with improving procedures and policies to mitigate and intervene at a large emergency, a major disaster or a terrorist attack. Additionally, they will develop and execute a terrorist attack exercise to test the City’s emergency response system for large incidents. Inter-operability, communications, and emergency operational plans will be exercised, critiqued and improved to meet the current resources and procedures.

BACKGROUND:

Funding:

The City of Great Falls was awarded \$70,000.00 Dept. of Homeland Security grant from the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services office. This contract will pay for the consulting services, equipment/supplies, and for additional the additional personnel costs to perform the exercise. Consultant costs are estimated at \$34,800.00.

Project Scope:

- ❖ Examine the Emergency Operations Plan and recommend changes.
- ❖ Improve agency inter-operability within the organization and with outside agencies that will arrive to assist the City during a crisis.
- ❖ Review and make recommendations on the Emergency Operations Center.
- ❖ Design, coordinate, prepare, conduct, and review a terrorism/WMD based exercise to task City and County agencies.
- ❖ Evaluate communications, and incident management to make improvement and to encompass the National Incident Management System as adopted by Montana.