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COUNCIL BILL   2017- 290  

SPECIAL ORDINANCE                                   

AN ORDINANCE

1 AUTHORIZING the City Manager, or his designee, to accept a State Homeland  
2 Security hybrid radio assembly, valued at \$44,068.00, which is  
3 necessary for the sustainment of a robot currently in use by the  
4 Springfield Fire Department Bomb Squad; and declaring an  
5 emergency.  
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8 WHEREAS, General Ordinance 6072 authorized the City Manager to apply for a  
9 grant from the State Homeland Security Grant Program (“SHSGP”); and  
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11 WHEREAS, the Southwest Missouri Council of Governments is authorized by  
12 SHSGP to manage these grants on behalf of the grant recipients; and  
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14 WHEREAS, the Southwest Missouri Council of Governments is purchasing the  
15 State Homeland Security hybrid radio assembly as a priority purchase to protect  
16 Southwest Missouri; and  
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18 WHEREAS, the Bomb Squad of the Springfield Fire Department (“SFD”)  
19 responds to explosive-device incidents in Springfield, and was originally established  
20 through the use of Homeland Security funds; and  
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22 WHEREAS, the Bomb Squad is a critical part of the Homeland Security Regional  
23 Response System, which is designed to respond to chemical, biological, radiological,  
24 nuclear, and explosive-device incidents; and  
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26 WHEREAS, the State Homeland Security hybrid radio assembly will allow for the  
27 sustainment and improved operation of a critical response asset, and provide an  
28 improved margin of safety for the Bomb Squad; and  
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30 WHEREAS, the value of the State Homeland Security hybrid radio assembly is  
31 \$44,068.00, and it will be utilized solely for the sustainment of a robot currently in use by  
32 the SFD Bomb Squad.  
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34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
35 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:

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37 Section 1 – The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to accept  
38 the State Homeland Security hybrid radio assembly for use by the Springfield Fire  
39 Department Bomb Squad.


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41 Section 2 – City Council finds and declares that this Ordinance relates to the  
42 public health, safety, and welfare, and therefore constitutes an emergency under  
43 Section 2.12 of the City Charter. Accordingly, this Ordinance shall be in full force and  
44 effect from and after passage.

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47 Passed at meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

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50 Mayor

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52 Attest: \_\_\_\_\_, City Clerk

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54 Filed as Ordinance: \_\_\_\_\_

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56 Approved as to form:  \_\_\_\_\_, Assistant City Attorney

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58 Approved for Council action:  \_\_\_\_\_, City Manager

**EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL 2017- 290**

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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: FIRE

PURPOSE: To authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to accept a State Homeland Security hybrid radio assembly, valued at \$44,068.00, which is necessary for the sustainment of a robot currently in use by the Springfield Fire Department Bomb Squad; and declaring an emergency.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Springfield Fire Department (“SFD”) currently utilizes equipment that was purchased through Homeland Security grants to establish core capabilities of response to explosive-device incidents within Springfield, as well as Missouri Region D. The capabilities were identified as core requirements for the team by the State’s Homeland Security Regional Response System (“HSRRS”) and required by the U.S. Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation Bomb Squad Commanders Advisory Board as part of the accreditation process.

The hybrid radio system will allow for the sustainment and improved operation of a critical response asset, and provides an improved margin of safety for the Bomb Squad. The value of this equipment is \$44,068.00, and it will be purchased utilizing previous funding approved by the Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee. No matching funds are required by the City.

This Ordinance relates to the public health, safety, and welfare, and therefore constitutes an emergency under Section 2.12 of the Springfield City Charter.

This Ordinance supports the following Field Guide 2030 goals: Chapter 11, Public Safety; Major Goal 2, Strengthen interagency collaboration between local and regional response agencies; and Major Goal 6, Provide optimal facilities and equipment (including technology), and promote effective/efficient use of resources.

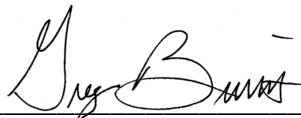
REMARKS: The addition of this equipment is necessary to maintain the safety of our personnel, and to provide the response capabilities deemed as core requirements for the SFD’s role in the Homeland Security Regional Response Team. The SFD has no other dedicated funding source for these expenses.

Submitted by:

Approved by:



David Pennington, Fire Chief



Greg Burris, City Manager