

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(3)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2007

TITLE: A Request to Approve a Budget Amendment

DEPARTMENT: Management Services	PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO <u>x</u>
ATTACHMENTS: A. Budget Ordinance	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Svoboda, 918-7301 Travis Crabtree, 918-7349

PURPOSE:

A budget amendment is required to recognize the \$75,266 grant that will be awarded from the Department of Homeland Security for the Fire Department 800MHz radio equipment.

INFORMATION: The Carrboro Fire-Rescue Department has been awarded a grant for \$75,266 through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) FY2006 Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) Program. As part of the efforts to become National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliant, the Town of Carrboro adopted the NIMS management system and has begun the implementation of 800 MHz radios so that all emergency services will be able to communicate with other communities as well as ourselves during times of emergencies and natural disasters. Portable 800 MHz radios have already been purchased and the fire-rescue department will be able to complete its integration by outfitting all of the fire apparatus with mobile 800 MHz radios by receiving this grant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This grant will complete the purchase of 800 MHz radios for the Town.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve budget amendment as requested.