

RESOLUTION NO. 5420

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING SPECIALIZED HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MONITORS AND FIRE HOSE.

WHEREAS, providing essential firefighting equipment is necessary in order to maintain a safe and responsive emergency service agency; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department provides emergency fire response to a local industry that uses acrylonitrile; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has no equipment to monitor acrylonitrile; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department's large-diameter fire hose is predominantly in excess of 20 years old; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has experienced failure of some large-diameter fire hose; and

WHEREAS, the National Fire Protection Association recommends a maximum ten-year life expectancy for fire hose under normal operating conditions; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is providing \$547 million in grants for fire departments nationwide; and

WHEREAS, a program for operations and firefighter safety is in the Assistance to Firefighters Grant, which identifies firefighting equipment; and

WHEREAS, the application period for this grant ends May 4, 2007.

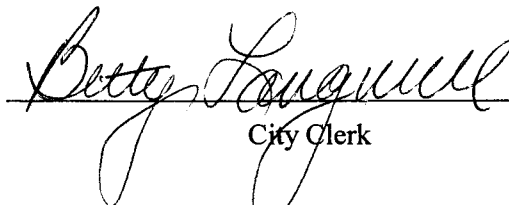
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Albany City Council authorizes the Fire Department to apply for up to \$100,000 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the purpose of purchasing specialized hazardous materials monitors and fire hose.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 25TH DAY OF APRIL, 2007.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk