RESOLUTION NO. 7076

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALBANY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$1,332,378 THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FISCAL YEAR 2021 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM (SAFER) FOR HIRING FIREFIGHTERS.

WHEREAS, the Fire Department's funded emergency services staffing does not allow for assembly of the required two-in, two-out (NFPA 1710) from every station; and

WHEREAS, there is no fire protection in North Albany approximately 30 percent of the time when the medic unit is responding to calls; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security provides funds through the Fiscal Year 2021 SAFER Grant Program for hiring firefighters to improve staffing levels to enhance compliance with NFPA standards; and

WHEREAS, the SAFER grant period of performance is three years and does not require a cost match; and

WHEREAS, the application period for this grant closes February 4, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Albany City Council authorizes the Fire Department to apply for up to \$1,332,378 from the Fiscal Year 2021 SAFER Grant Program through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to hire three firefighters.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 26TH DAY OF JANUARY 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk