



City of Emeryville

CALIFORNIA

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 20, 2017

TO: Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

FROM: Jennifer Tejada, Police Chief

SUBJECT: Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Accepting A Donation In The Amount Of \$10,000 From The Wareham Property Group To The City Of Emeryville Police Department To Subsidize The Purchase Of Automated External Defibrillators (AED) And Appropriating Said Funds When Received To Account 254-62600

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council of the City of Emeryville adopt the attached resolution approving the Wareham Property Group donation in the amount of \$10,000 to subsidize the purchase of automated external defibrillators (AED) and appropriate said funds in account 254-62600 when received.

BACKGROUND

To enhance the emergency preparedness of some local businesses, the Police Department has fostered a partnership with the Wareham Property Group and its constituents, the Emeryville Transportation Management Association (ETMA) to provide AEDs to some businesses in the City. In evaluating the ability of Emeryville's community to provide life saving measures, there appears to be a gap in responding to those who suffer from myocardial infarction (heart attack). With the significant advances in life saving tools like an AED and a public access defibrillator (PAD), many community members who would not otherwise have the ability to save someone, can with an AED.

In assessing the availability of AEDs to community members throughout the City, it is quite clear that there are very few options. Many of the large businesses and public areas of the city do not have an AED available for public use. The opportunity to provide this essential lifesaving tool to our community is of great value. Moreover, if this tool is available to community members during a time when emergency responder services are at or over capacity, such as in a natural disaster (earthquake), potentially, lives can be saved.

While the Police Department does not regularly receive donations, we believe this partnership is one worth fostering for the health and wellbeing of our community members. These monies will allow the Police Department to purchase approximately nine AED devices which can be put into business lobbies, public gathering areas, or in police vehicles. Our goal is to solicit business partners in the community that are willing to participate and mount an AED device on their property, so their patrons will have access to the device.

California State law and the Alameda County Medical Director set guidelines for the training, notification and maintenance for AEDs. The laws allow for public use of such devices under the guidelines of 1714.21 of the Civil Code under Chapter 1.8 – Lay Rescuer Automated External Defibrillator Regulations. The police department's primary function for leading this program is to enhance the partnerships within our community as well as ensuring those agreeing to make an AED available, adhere to these laws.

DISCUSSION

Since this will be a new program under the public private partnership for the City of Emeryville and its businesses, we should consider the benefits as well as the potential opportunities for future partnership programs. Increasing the lifesaving potential for those who live, work, and play in this city is an awesome opportunity which can be measured in just one successful application.

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no fiscal impact to accepting these funds aside from administrative staff time to facilitate the partnership and assure all laws and recommendations have been met.

STAFF COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC

As of this time the only communication with the public has been with the specific donor, Richard Robins of Wareham Property Group and the Emeryville Transportation Management Association, who are enthusiastic of this proposal.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

CONCLUSION

This program offers a great opportunity for the City of Emeryville, the Emeryville Police Department and to the Emeryville community. Staff recommends accepting this donation of funds to enhance our life saving abilities within our community.

PREPARED BY: Oliver Collins, Emeryville Police Department Captain

**APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:**



Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. Civil Code 1714.21
2. Chapter 1.8 Lay Rescuer Automated External Defibrillator Regulations
3. Resolution