

1 RESOLUTION 2026-066

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES,
4 FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO APPLY TO THE
5 FISCAL YEAR 2025 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTER GRANT (AFG) PROGRAM
6 THROUGH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA); A
7 FEMA FACT SHEET AND NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY REGARDING
8 THE AFG PROGRAM IS ATTACHED HERETO AS **COMPOSITE EXHIBIT A**; A
9 COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY
10 CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR
11 INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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13 WHEREAS, the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is a competitive federal program
14 that provides funding to fire departments and EMS agencies to improve emergency response
15 capabilities, safety, and effectiveness;

16 WHEREAS, the AFG can be used to purchase fire apparatuses, EMS equipment, PPE,
17 training, and related resources;

18 WHEREAS, upon general consensus of the City Commission, City staff submitted an
19 application under the Fiscal Year 2025 FEMA AFG Program;

20 WHEREAS, the application was submitted in conjunction with the Fiscal Year 2025 SAFER
21 Hiring Activity Grant application to support coordinated improvements in staffing and
22 operational capacity;

23 WHEREAS, the AFG application seeks funding for two capital items: a new rescue power
24 stretcher and a potential additional rescue truck;

25 WHEREAS, these resources are intended to support increased service demand, improve
26 emergency response capabilities, and ensure adequate apparatus availability should SAFER-
27 funded staffing be awarded;

1 WHEREAS, the Fire Department currently operates two rescue trucks, and with continued
2 population growth and increased call volume, a rise in simultaneous incidents has placed
3 additional strain on existing apparatuses;

4 WHEREAS, routine maintenance and equipment rotation further reduce unit availability,
5 which can impact response times and overall operational readiness;

6 WHEREAS, if awarded SAFER funding, the addition of firefighter staffing would increase
7 the need for sufficient apparatus capacity so that a third rescue truck would help ensure effective
8 deployment of personnel and maintain reliable service delivery;

9 WHEREAS, requested funding items through the AFG application would be as follows: a
10 rescue truck with an estimated approximate cost of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and
11 No/100 (\$650,000.00) and a power stretcher with an estimated approximate cost of Forty
12 Thousand Dollars and No/100 (\$40,000.00);

13 WHEREAS, if awarded, the AFG program would offset a significant portion of eligible
14 costs; however, the City may be responsible for a local match of ten percent (10%) and any costs
15 not covered by the grant;

16 WHEREAS, future capital funding sources may include the Capital Improvement Program
17 (CIP), grant match reserves, or other financing mechanisms; and

18 WHEREAS, City staff recommend the City Commission ratify the submission of the Fiscal
19 Year 2025 AFG Program application, which was submitted on June 22, 2026, and acknowledge
20 the potential operational and capital requirements associated with implementation of the grant
21 if awarded.

1 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
2 LAUDERDALE LAKES AS FOLLOWS:

3 SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF RECITALS: The foregoing RECITALS are hereby ratified and
4 confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a part of this Resolution.

5 SECTION 2. AUTHORITY: The City Commission hereby authorizes the Acting City
6 Manager to apply to the Fiscal Year 2025 Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) Program
7 administered through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

8 SECTION 3. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK: The City Clerk and other appropriate
9 City Officials are hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary to effectuate the intent
10 of this Resolution.

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1 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its
2 final passage.

3 ADOPTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AT ITS REGULAR
4 MEETING HELD JUNE 23, 2026.

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VERONICA EDWARDS PHILLIPS, MAYOR

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ATTEST:

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15 _____, CMC, Deputy City Clerk,
16 VENICE HOWARD, MPA, MMC, FCRM
17 CITY CLERK

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Approved as to form and legality
for the use of and reliance by the
City of Lauderdale Lakes only:

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SIDNEY C. CALLOWAY, CITY ATTORNEY

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Sponsored by: Venice Howard, Acting City Manager; Chief Charles Hackett, BSO

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30 **VOTE:**

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32 Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
33 Vice-Mayor Sharon Thomas	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
34 Commissioner Tycie Causwell	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
35 Commissioner Easton Harrison	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
36 Commissioner Karlene Maxwell-Williams	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)