City of Bethel Action Memorandum

Action memorandum No.	19-15		
Date action introduced:	January 22, 2019	Introduced by:	Peter Williams, City Manager
Date action taken:	January 22, 2019	**X** Approved	Denied
Confirmed by:	*KM*		

Action Title: Direct Administration to pursue State Homeland Security Grant funding to assist the City in preparedness activities (planning, equipment, training, and exercise) that address identified gaps or capability targets where a connection to terrorism exists.

Department/Individual:		Initials:	Remarks:
Administration / Peter Williams		PW	
Public Works / Bill Arnold		WA	
Finance / Cindy Sharp		CS	
Amount of fiscal impact:			**Account information:**
X	No fiscal impact at this time.		
	Requires funding in FY 2019 Budget.		
	Requires funding in FY 2020 Budget.		

Summary Statement

The Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is soliciting project nominations for State Homeland Security Program grant funds. The City of Bethel is an eligible jurisdiction that may request funds for planning, equipment, training, and exercises. Grant applications are due January 31, 2019.

The City of Bethel is gathering information to prepare its funding request for one or more of the following projects:

1. Interoperable Communications Plan – Required before the City may ask for radios, repeaters, and other interoperable communications equipment.
2. Security Measures for Water Tanks at Water Treatment Plants (2)
   - Fencing - Around tanks and perimeter.
   - Lighting – Around tanks and perimeter.
   - Vent Security Shroud to prevent the intentional introduction of chemical or biological contaminants.
   - Hatches – Electronic monitoring device on each hatch.
3. Videocameras – Strategically placed videocameras on select City buildings for maximum protection.
4. Cyber-Security Firewalls – The City of Bethel needs new firewall security apparatuses and services that protect its data from hackers, thieves, and terrorists.

The City has the following supporting documentation for the projects referenced above, including a Tank Inspection Report for each public water tank and Security Vulnerability Assessment.