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**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator  
Fran Donelson, Administrative Secretary  
Jerry Ewers, Fire Chief

FROM: Mike Hartman, Assistant Fire Chief

DATE: April 3, 2012

SUBJECT: City Council Agenda Item - Request authorization to submit grant request to the Muscatine Health Support Foundation

**INTRODUCTION:**

Request to apply for a grant through the Muscatine Health Support Foundation (MHSF) for equipment to conduct cardiac enzyme testing in the field for improved cardiac patient care.

**BACKGROUND:**

The MHSF offers grant submittals bi-annually. The MHSF has been very generous to the Fire Department over the years in awarding us equipment and training grants. Currently, we are requesting to apply for a grant to obtain equipment to test the feasibility of pre-hospital cardiac enzyme sampling to help determine patient destination. The deadline for the grant application is April 16, 2012.

**RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:**

We are requesting that City Council authorize the Muscatine Fire Department to fill out a grant for equipment to upgrade cardiac care in the pre-hospital setting to include cardiac enzyme testing. The grant request to the Muscatine Health Support Foundation is for \$ 18,949.00. There is no match required by the city for this MHSF grant.