

RESOLUTION NO. 7778-R44

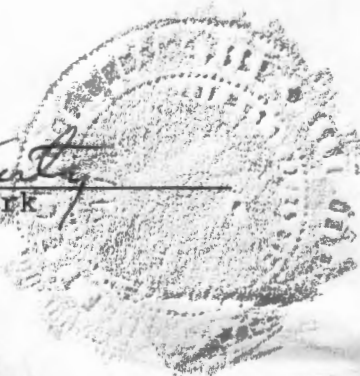
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT
APPLICATION TO THE NATIONAL FIRE
PREVENTION AND CONTROL ADMINISTRATION
FOR A FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA,
ILLINOIS, as follows:

That the appropriate city officials be and the same are
hereby authorized to make an application for funds from the
National Fire Prevention and Control Administration for a Fire
Prevention Program, as generally detailed on the attached document,
copies of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

PASSED by the City Council this 20th day of

February, 1978.


Duane Eckerty
Duane Eckerty, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this 27th day of

February, 1978.

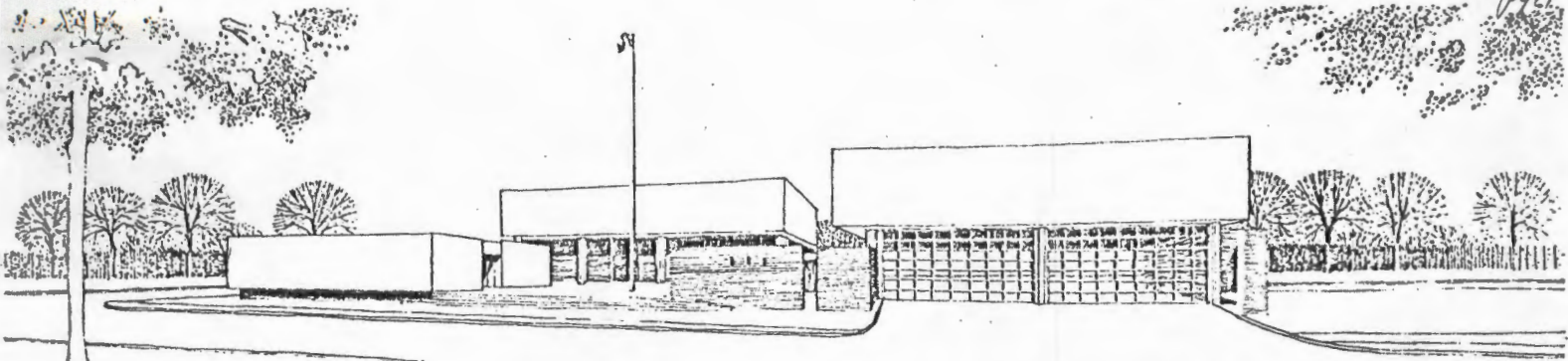
Jeffrey T. Markland
Jeffrey T. Markland, Mayor

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THIS IS THE ATTACHMENT WHICH IS REFERRED TO IN RESOLUTION
NO. #7778-R44 AND IS INCORPORATED THEREIN BY REFERENCE.

Beverly Umbarger
Acting City Clerk

Date: -----



CITY OF URBANA - 400 SOUTH VINE STREET - URBANA ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF: Fire Department

MEMORANDUM

TO: Richard Franks, Administrative Officer
FROM: Chief John L. Troeger *JL*
RE: Proposed grant for fire prevention program
DATE: January 3, 1978

ISSUE: Should the City of Urbana request funding from the National Fire Prevention and Control Administration for a fire prevention program as per the attached abstracts.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend that the proposal be forwarded to the Public Safety Committee and that we seek approval to request funding as outlined in the attached abstract.

DISCUSSION: The attached abstract proposes a unique approach to the fire problem by involving citizens from various areas of the City in the planning and implementation of a fire prevention program for their own areas. The areas shown on the attached map would be served as follows:

- Station One Areas 2 and 3
- Station Two Area 4
- Station Three Area 1

The station officers from each area would participate with the citizen's committee to develop a program for their specific area.

FISCAL IMPACT: The proposed budget should cover all out-of-pocket expenses. There will be some additional in-kind expenses for administrative expenses.

STAFF: This would not result in any additional staff.

ATTACHED DOCUMENTS: Abstract and map.

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ABSTRACT

The City of Urbana, Illinois, is requesting funding for a fire safety program that it believes to be innovative and potentially very productive. The City sees this program as providing for neighborhood input into the development of a fire prevention program tailored to the needs of the subcommunity it serves.

BACKGROUND

The City of Urbana Fire Department has had a fire prevention program that has followed the traditional approach to increasing community fire safety awareness. The program includes, but is not limited to, public education programs, home inspection programs, fire code inspections, etc. It is apparent to the City that, although these programs have some impact, it needs to do more to involve the general public in solving the fire problem. Urbana has witnessed a steady increase in the number and severity of fires as our community grows, despite such efforts.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The City of Urbana Fire Department is proposing to form a citizen's committee to work with the officers of each of our three stations to develop a fire safety program tailored to their own service area. The committee would consist of five to seven members and would provide a cross section of the particular area. The committee, along with the officers assigned to the station, would:

1. Develop a fire prevention program for the station area for both residential and commercial properties.
2. Provide for the training of citizen-volunteers from the area to accompany Fire Department personnel on home inspections.
3. Monitor the programs for effectiveness and possible changes.
4. Provide input for possible fire code and/or building code amendments.

We perceive the officer's role as that of technical advisor/coordinator to the committee. The officers would keep the program moving within defined limits and would also serve as liaison between the committee and the Fire Department Administrator.

We feel a two-year trial period is necessary to measure the impact, or lack thereof, on the fire statistics in these sub-areas. The major expense involved would be administrative costs (including overtime for company officers), audio-visual equipment, handout materials, and an evaluation at the completion of the program.

FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF FIRES

STATION ONE

1972	153
1973	182
1974	182
1975	215
1976	219

Five year increase of 43.14%

STATION TWO

1972	38
1973	23
1974	25
1975	46
1976	53

Five year increase of 39.74%

STATION THREE

1972	98
1973	106
1974	102
1975	84
1976	98

Five year increase of 0%

City-wide increase of 21.71% in five years

Average annual increase of 4.34%

PROPOSED BUDGET

Two-Year Fire Prevention Program

First Year

Administrative Cost	\$1,000.00
Audio-Visual Materials and Handouts	<u>1,500.00</u>
	\$2,500.00

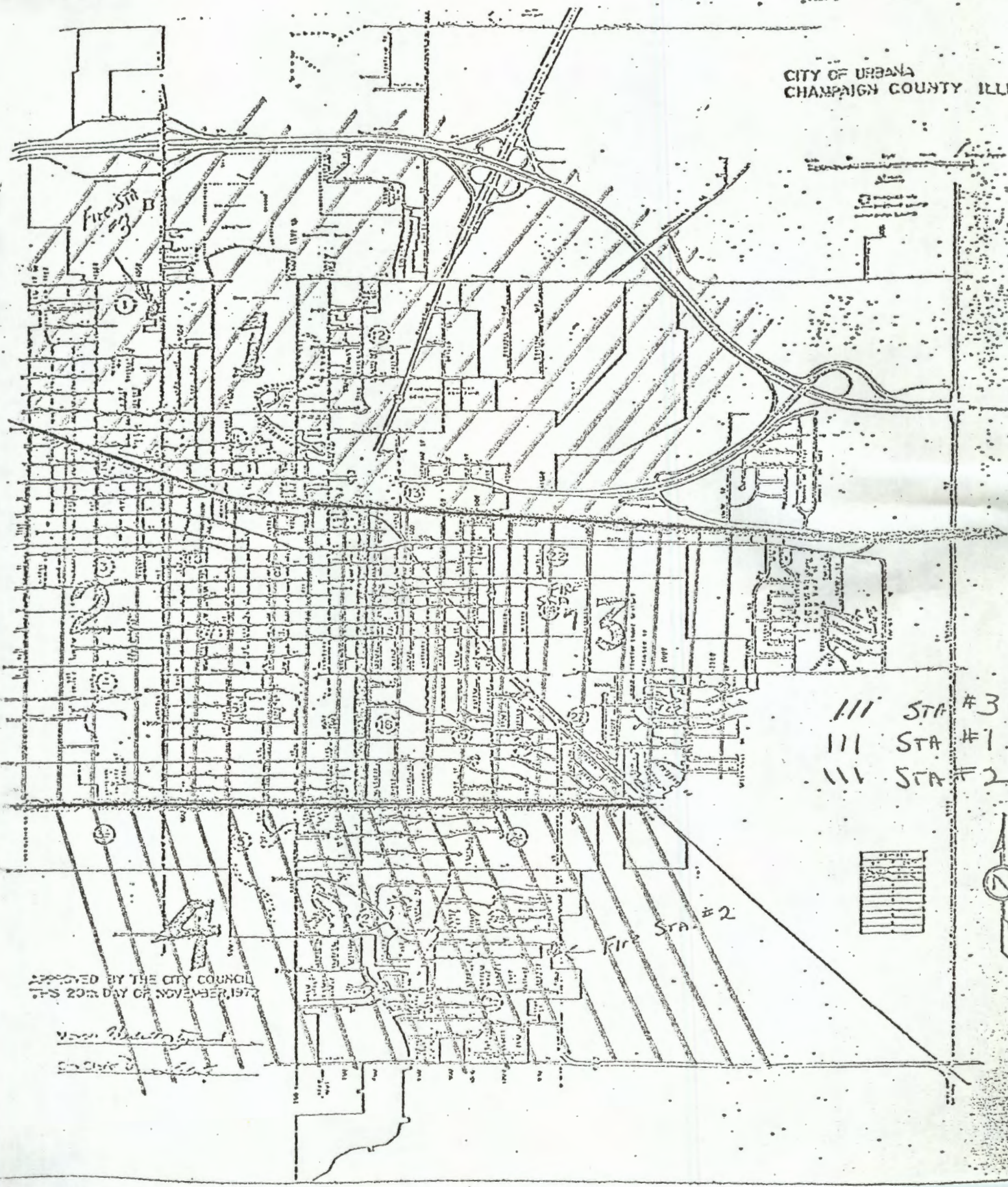
Second Year

Administrative Cost	\$1,000.00
Audio-Visual Materials and Handouts	800.00
Program Evaluation*	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$4,800.00

TOTAL PROGRAM COST	<u><u>\$7,300.00</u></u>
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*Could include preparation of Program Implementation Manual

CITY OF URBANA
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY ILL.



- III STA #3
- III STA #1
- III STA #2



APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
THIS 20th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1972

Wm. [Signature]
City Clerk

Fire STA #2