



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
FIRE DEPARTMENT
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To: Finance Committee

From: Chief Charles Breen Jr.

Re: **Item 23-1419 & 23-1501**

Dear Finance Committee,

Item 23-1419 is a request to pay prior year invoices to FutureComp. FutureComp replaced Meditrol as the City's third-party administrator for injured on duty claims during the last months of FY23. Initial cost projections for the months of May & June exceeded funds allocated by HR for the transition period and several invoices arrived in late June. The Fire Department has sufficient funds to cover these invoices.

Item 23-1501 is a grant from the MA Department of Fire Services to reimburse costs relating to members of the State Hazardous Materials Response Team. Through this grant, overtime costs incurred for emergency responses involving hazardous materials will be reimbursed. This grant will also cover costs related to mandatory monthly drills, training, and yearly stipends. The Department currently has one active member on the state team.

Respectfully,

Charles J. Breen Jr.
Chief Engineer

