



# MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Finance Committee

**FROM:** Rich Olson, City Manager  
Larry Mackey, Fire Chief

**DATE:** January 4, 2013

**RE:** Consideration - Acceptance of Fire Boat Grant

***BACKGROUND:***

On January 2, 2013, the Elizabeth City Fire Department was awarded a grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation. The fully funded grant in the amount of \$18,556.00 is for the purchase of a water rescue boat to serve the needs of our area. The Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation is an organization dedicated to improving the life-saving capabilities of first responders in communities served by Firehouse Subs by providing funding, resources, and support.

***ANALYSIS:***

The acceptance by Council of this grant will result in the delivery to the city of an eighteen foot rescue boat and motor, trailer, and all required Coast Guard equipment. The cost to operate the rescue boat through the end of the fiscal year will come out of the Fire Department's existing budget. The department will be working on an operational plan for the usage of the boat. At this time, the boat will be stored at Fire Station #1.

***STAFF RECOMMENDATION:***

For the Finance Committee to recommend that the City Council accept the Firehouse Foundation Grant that has been awarded to the Fire Department.

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