

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTIETH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. C/S R-13-190 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Dan Lewis and Don Harris

1 RESOLUTION

2 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO ALLOW THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO
3 PROVIDE IN-PERSON AND ON “PAID STATUS” FOR RANK SPECIFIC
4 CERTIFICATION COURSES DURING THE 2014 FISCAL YEAR.

5 WHEREAS, the City of Albuquerque maintains a highly professional, well
6 trained Fire Department based on NFPA professional qualifications; and

7 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City, its citizens, the Fire
8 Department and its firefighters to maintain promotional eligibility requirements
9 for each promotable rank within the Fire Department and to provide for
10 equitable promotional opportunities for all members of the Fire Department;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, whether the City should provide in person, on-duty training for
13 promotional eligibility required to sit for promotional exams was the subject of
14 a prohibited practices complaint (LB 12-15) filed against the City by the
15 International Association of Firefighters, Local 244 (IAFF); and

16 WHEREAS, in a settlement agreement regarding that complaint, the City
17 agreed to provide rank specific certification courses to its members in person
18 and on a “paid status” based upon available funding specifically appropriated
19 to the AFD Training budget for this purpose for the ranks of Lieutenant,
20 Captain and Commander effective July 1, 2013; and

21 WHEREAS, the monetary compensation and classes provided by AFD
22 depend “wholly and entirely contingent upon the granting of funds from the
23 City Council” for rank specific certification courses; and

24 WHEREAS, the City Council feels that it is in the best interest of the City and
25 the Fire Department to make such an appropriation; and

26 WHEREAS, there are unappropriated, unencumbered funds available in the
27 general fund sufficient to make the appropriation described below.

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1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
2 ALBUQUERQUE:

3 Section 1. The following appropriation is made within the General Fund
4 (110) for Fiscal Year 2014:

5 GENERAL FUND (110)

6 Fire Department

7 FD Training \$200,000

8 This appropriation provides funding for fire department members to attend
9 rank specific certification courses in-person and “on paid” status as described
10 in the Settlement Agreement and Full, Final Release of Claims between the City
11 and the IAFF arising from Prohibited Practices Complaint LB 12-15.

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