

**AN ORDINANCE BY  
PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2007 (INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANT FUND) BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND RESCUE, BY REDUCING ANTICIPATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$7,980.00) IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE ATLANTA CITIZENS RESPONSE TEAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, a primary goal of the City of Atlanta Fire and Rescue Department (“AFRD”) is to prepare its citizens and visitors in the event of a natural or man-made disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, the Urban Area Security Initiative (“UASI”) provides funding to high risk urban areas to improve their capabilities to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks and other disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, AFRD is the recipient of a UASI award the purpose of funding the Departments Atlanta Citizens Response Team (“ACERT”); and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of ACERT is to accomplish the following: (1) educate community members about the hazards and potential disasters that may effect the City’s various communities and workplaces; (2) organize neighborhood and workplace response teams for rapid and effective intervention following a disastrous event; and (3) train teams in basic response and solid decision-making skills that can be used to enhance their survival skills and to effectively help others; and

**WHEREAS**, AFRD anticipated receiving two hundred thirty three thousand four hundred sixty one dollars and zero cents (\$233, 461.00) as evidenced by 07-O-0675; and

**WHEREAS**, AFRD received only two hundred twenty five thousand four hundred eighty one dollars and zero cents (\$225, 481.00).

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS, as follows:**

**SECTION 1:** That the 2007 (Intergovernmental Grant Fund) Budget, Department of Fire and Rescue, is hereby amended as follows:

**REDUCE ANTICIPATIONS**

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State/Grant Entitlements

\$7,980.00

**Total** **\$7,980.00**

**REDUCE APPROPRIATIONS**

1B02 W11T0750JCZ0 7*****	GEMA/Atlanta Citizens Response Team (ACERT)	\$7,980.00
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**Total** **\$7980.00**

**SECTION 2:** That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby waived to the extent of the conflict.

TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

ATTN: GREG PRIDGEON

Commissioner Signature *Helene J. Cohen*

Originating Department: Fire and Rescue Contact (name) Wilmond Meadows

Committee(s) of Purview: Public Safety and Legal Administration Committee

Committee Deadline: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Meeting Date(s): 4/29/08 Full Council Date: 5/5/08

CAPTION

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**BACKGROUND/PURPOSE/DISCUSSION:**

The Atlanta Citizens Emergency Response Team (ACERT) was established in 2005, by the Atlanta Fire Rescue Department. The purpose of the program is to educate and prepare citizens, visitors, and workers of Atlanta to survive and provide assistance to their communities until emergency services can arrive in the event of a man-made or natural disaster. The participants of the program are trained about hazards and potential disasters that may effect the city's various communities, workplaces, and organize neighborhood and/or workplace response teams for rapid and effective intervention following a disastrous event. In addition, the program organize and train teams in basic response and solid decision-making skills that can be used to enhance their survival skills and to effectively help others.

FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any): None

Mayor's Staff Only

Received by Mayor's Office: 4/9/08 *JP* Reviewed by: *JP*  
(date) (date)

Submitted to Council: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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Committee of Purview: PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL ADMINISTRATION

### Caption

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Council Meeting Date: April 29, 2008

Legislation Title: Atlanta Citizens Emergency Response Team (ACERT)

Requesting Dept.: Atlanta Fire Rescue

Contract Type: NA

Source Selection:

Bids/Proposals Due: NA

Invitations Issued: NA

Number of Bids/

Proposals Received: NA

Bidders/Proponents: NA

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Fund Account Center:

Source of Funds: GRANT FUNDED

Fiscal Impact:

Term of Contract:

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