

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Samantha Abell, City Manager

From: Robert Jones, Fire Chief

Date: February 06, 2015

Subject: Educational donation from Chevron Products Co., Pascagoula Refinery

Request:

City Council authorization is requested to accept an educational donation from Chevron Products Co., Pascagoula Refinery for an Emergency Medical Technician Class to be given at the Pascagoula Refinery.

Background:

Chevron Products Co., Pascagoula Refinery personnel have contracted with American Medical Response to teach an onsite E.M.T. class at the Pascagoula Refinery. Chevron's personnel included several positions in the class which would be offered to neighboring municipal departments. Two of these positions have been offered to the Gautier Fire Department.

Discussion:

This is exactly the type of class Fire Department personnel need to better serve its customers, Gautier Citizens. Receiving this class in this manner provides that city funding can be utilized for other needed classes throughout the year, such as Basic Firefighter 1001-1002 for new hires. Approximate cost of the class donated by Chevron includes; class fee \$800.00, book/classroom material \$200.00, and meals \$200.00 for a total of \$1200.00 per student. If this donation is accepted, the Fire Department will submit a "travel/training request" to the City Manager to provide a vehicle and fuel, to transport Gautier Fire Department personnel to and from the Pascagoula Refinery from Gautier Central Station on the class dates.

Recommendation:

The Gautier Fire Department recommends that the City Council authorize the acceptance of this educational donation as it is in the best interest of the city.

The Council may:

1. authorize acceptance of this educational donation;
2. authorize acceptance of this educational donation with limitations; or
3. decline to authorize acceptance of this educational donation.