



### Agenda Item Details

Meeting	Dec 18, 2023 - Regular City Commission Meeting
Category	D. CONSENT AGENDA
Subject	9. Consideration of award of bid for Structural Firefighting Protective Gear
Type	Action (Consent)
Preferred Date	Dec 18, 2023
Fiscal Impact	Yes
Dollar Amount	15,344.50
Budgeted	Yes
Budget Source	101.336.767.000 and 101.651.767.000
Recommended Action	Motion to approve the purchase of firefighter protective gear from MacQueen Emergency Equipment in the amount of \$15,344.50.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The City Clerk's Office published an invitation to bid for firefighter protective gear, as budgeted for this fiscal year. The original budget requested 4 sets of protective gear; however, with the hiring of a new firefighter, we are requesting the purchase of 5 sets. The gear purchased and sized for FF. R. Vallad, who recently left for a position in another city, was sold to her new department to offset the cost of the additional set of gear. The ITB received 5 responses, with MacQueen being the median bid in pricing and meeting all but one request in the bid. MacQueen and Dinges fire were two vendors who have visited the fire department and presented their gear for evaluation. All the bids were reviewed for thoroughness, completeness, and ability to meet the needs of the fire department. Currently, the fire department has two models/vendor style of gear in our inventory: Lion Apparel and Globe Manufacturing. The fire department has had good success with both manufacturers and customer service has met our expectations. Lion Apparel, by Dinges Fire, was the high bid, MacQueen was the middle bid with a difference from the low bid of \$123.90. In the opinion of the review committee, the difference in price from the low bid to the MacQueen is worth our previous experience of the product. MacQueen, who is the dealer for Globe manufacturing, was the vendor who provided firefighter protective gear in the past budget year. The choice of Globe has met the expectations of the fire department and has held up to the demands of our firefighters.

### **ANALYSIS:**

Complete analysis of all bids was completed by a committee of a captain, lieutenant and firefighter. In their evaluation, they looked at all responses and presented their findings to the fire chief for final selection. The format or review followed the responsiveness of the vendors as compared to the invitation to bid. After reviewing the content of the bid specifications, pricing was reviewed for comparison and selection.

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH: (if applicable)**

n/a

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

If awarded, 5 sets of gear at \$3,068.90 each would cost a total of \$15,344.50. This cost would be split evenly between Fire and Ambulance Departments' uniforms and gear line item. At just under \$7,700 actual cost for each department, the purchase would fall under the budgeted amount of \$8,400 each, even with an extra set of gear.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

*List alternatives to the recommended action.*

The City Commission has the following options to consider on this matter:

1. Adopt resolution with modifications.
2. Direct staff to return with more information.
3. Other Alternative
4. Take no action.

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**Motion & Voting**

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items, as presented.

Motion by Ray Bauer, second by Jodi Bosbous-Rath.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yea: Don Gerrie, Ray Bauer, Jodi Bosbous-Rath, Jay Gage, Steve Habusta, Scott Marble, Andrew Rubinstein