

## City Council – Action Request Form

**Date:** August 9, 2021

**To:** Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

Damon Dequenne, Assistant City Manager

**From:** Trey Mayo, Fire Chief  
Jerry Bates, Purchasing Director

**Council Action Requested:**

Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Turnout Gear

**Strategic Focus Area:** Service Excellence

**Strategic Objective:** Ensure Service Efficiency and Effectiveness

**Strategic Plan Action Item:** No

**Key Work Item:** No



**Summary of Information:**

The Winston Fire Department has the need to replace 27 sets of turnout gear that will reach its 10-year service life during year 2021. There is also a need to purchase 30 primary and backup sets of turnout gear for a recruit class of 15, and 5 sets for unforeseen incidents, such as gear being condemned and or unrepairable throughout the year. A complete set of turnout gear consists of coats, pants, suspenders, two pair of boots, Nomex hoods, two pair of gloves, and helmet.

The National Purchasing Partners Government Division (NPPGov), a cooperative purchasing group, per Contract #PS20070, using Wake County Consortium/Cary Fire Department RFP # 1915 for Fire Fighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) on 4/1/2020 awarded a 3 year contract with 3, one year extensions to Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., located in Charlotte, N.C. per bid specifications. Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., the distributor for Morning Pride in our region, has offered quote #QT1433917 for the turnout gear at a cost of \$2,700.64 per set each for a total cost of \$167,439.68.

N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(3) authorizes “purchases made through a competitive bidding group purchasing program, which is a formally organized program that offers competitively obtained purchasing products and services at discount prices to two or more public agencies.”

**Committee Action:**

<b>Committee</b>	<u>Finance 8/9/2021</u>	<b>Action</b>	<u>Approval</u>
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<b>For</b>	<u>Unanimous</u>	<b>Against</b>	<u></u>
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**Remarks:**

It is recommended that a purchase order be awarded to Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., per The National Purchasing Partners Governmental Division (NPPGOV) contract #PS20070 and quote #QT1433917, for 62 sets of turnout gear per bid specifications at a cost of \$2,700.64 per set each for a total cost of \$167,439.68. This recommendation is in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(3).

The City's FY 2021-22 capital equipment budget includes sufficient funds for this purchase.

M/WBE comment: There are no known area minority or woman-owned companies that sell this gear.

Workforce Demographics: See Exhibit A