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RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR TURNOUT GEAR

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Fire Department has budgeted to replace worn out turnout gear that will soon reach its 10-year service life. The purchase will include replacement sets, primary and backup sets for a new recruit class and additional sets for unforeseen incidents; and

WHEREAS, Casco Industries, Inc. was awarded turnout gear meeting bid specifications under contract #EE08-19 by Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC), a cooperative purchasing group program; and

WHEREAS, Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment Inc., an authorized distributor of the turnout gear supplied by Casco Industries, Inc., has offered quote #S200376 for 180 turnout gear sets at \$3,609.00 per set for a total cost of \$649,620.00; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department recommends that a purchase order be awarded to Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment, Inc., per the bid specifications of H-GAC contract #EE08-19 and quote #S200376, for 180 turnout gear sets at a cost of \$3,609.00 per set for a total cost of \$649,620.00. This recommendation is in accordance with 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"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon approval of the Finance Committee, that a purchase order is hereby awarded to Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment, Inc. for 180 turnout gear sets at \$3,609.00 per set for a total cost of \$649,620.00.

Winston-Salem City Council
APPROVED
October 16, 2023

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that award of this purchase order constitutes a preliminary determination as to the qualifications of the bidders. The company's offer, the bid specifications, and the City's purchase order will constitute the contract. The City is not legally bound until the purchase order is duly executed by the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this purchase is included in the FY 2023-24 budget.