

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: September 12, 2022

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

Patrice Toney, Assistant City Manager

From: Trey Mayo, Fire Chief
Shantell McClam, 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-Salem Fire Department has the need to replace turnout gear sets that will soon reach its 10-year service life. There is also a need to purchase primary and backup sets of turnout gear for a recruit class and additional sets for unforeseen incidents, such as gear being condemned and or unrepairable throughout the year. A complete set of turnout gear consists of coat, pants, suspenders, two pair of boots, Nomex hoods, two pair of gloves, and a helmet. The total amount of sets being requested is 62.

The National Purchasing Partners Government Division (NPPGov), a cooperative purchasing group, per Contract #PS20070, using the Wake County Consortium/Cary Fire Department RFP # 1915 for Fire Fighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) awarded on 4/1/2020 for 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 #QT1597611 for the turnout gear at a cost of \$4,094.00 per set each for a total cost of \$253,828.00 for 62 sets.

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:

Committee	<u>Finance 9/12/22</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
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For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<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 #QT1597611, for 62 sets of turnout gear per bid specifications at a cost of \$4,094.00 per set each for a total cost of \$253,828.00. This recommendation is in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(3).

The City's FY 2022-23 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