



# City Council Memorandum

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**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL      DATE: MARCH 26, 2019**  
**FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT      WARDS: ALL**  
**SUBJECT: MEASURE Z – FIRE DEPARTMENT PROTECTIVE FIREFIGHTER SAFETY CLOTHING FROM ALL STAR EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$129,817 IN ACCORDANCE WITH PURCHASING RESOLUTION 23256 SECTION 602 (C)**

**ISSUE:**

Approve the purchase of the Fire Department protective firefighter safety clothing from All Star Equipment from Hayward, California, in the amount of \$129,817 in accordance with Section 602 (c) of Purchasing Resolution No. 23256.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approve the purchase of the Fire Department protective firefighter safety clothing from All Star Equipment from Hayward, California, in the amount of \$129,817 in accordance with Section 602 (c) of Purchasing Resolution No. 23256.

**BACKGROUND:**

Protective firefighter safety clothing, commonly referred to as turnout gear, is a basic firefighting necessity. Made of insulated and fire-resistant materials, turnout gear helps protect firefighters from the intense heat and hazardous environments encountered in the fire service. Riverside Fire Department policy requires firefighters to wear turnout gear to various types of incidents, including structure fires, vehicle accidents, hazardous materials calls, box alarms, suspicious odor calls and any other incidents the company officer deems appropriate.

Subject to wear and tear, turnouts must be replaced at a minimum of every 10 years to ensure adequate personal protection and compliance with National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) standards. On June 12, 2018, City Council authorized an adjustment to the budget allocating approximately \$100,000 of Measure Z funding for Fire Department safety turnouts.

**DISCUSSION:**

Purchasing Resolution 23256 Section 602 (c) provides that competitive procurement through the informal and formal procurement process shall not be required when the procurement can

only be obtained from a sole source or timely from a single source and the manager is satisfied that the best price, terms and conditions for the procurement thereof have been negotiated.

All Star Equipment is the only locally approved distributor of the LION brand turn-outs that supplies fire departments throughout the State of California with protective equipment and ensures the NFPA 1971 compliance. Staff is recommending that City Council approve the purchase of Fire Department protective firefighter safety clothing from All Star Equipment in the amount of \$129,817. If approved, the Fire Department will utilize \$100,000 of allocated Measure Z funds and \$29,817 from the departments General Fund.

The Purchasing Manager concurs with the recommendation and that this purchase is in compliance the Purchasing Resolution No. 23256, Section 602 (c).

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total fiscal impact is \$129,817. Sufficient funds are available in the Fire Operations Measure Z Clothing, Linen and Safety Supplies Account 3510009-426200 in the amount of \$100,000 and the Fire Operations Clothing, Linen and Safety Supplies Account 3510000-426200 in the amount of \$29,817.

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Attachments:

- 1.) Sole Source Justification
- 2.) Authorized and Approved Distributor Letter