



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JULY 20, 2021

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

**SUBJECT: APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PROTECTIVE
FIREFIGHTER SAFETY CLOTHING FROM ALL STAR EQUIPMENT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$133,710 AND APPROVE THE EXCEPTION OF THE
COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT PER SECTION 602 (C)**

ISSUES:

Approve the purchase of the Fire Department protective firefighter safety clothing from All Star Equipment from Hayward, California, in the amount of \$133,710 and approve the exception of the competitive procurement per Section 602 (c) of Purchasing Resolution No. 23256.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Approve the purchase of the Fire Department protective firefighter safety clothing from All Star Equipment of Hayward, CA in the amount of \$133,710;
2. Approve the exception of the competitive procurement per Section 602 (c) of Purchasing Resolution No. 23256; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all documents pursuant to this purchase including making minor and non-substantive changes.

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 ten years to ensure adequate personal protection and compliance with National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) standards.

DISCUSSION:

According to the City's 2025 Strategic Plan, the City remains fiscally responsible for public funds and ensures accountable financial resources. Therefore, regarding the City's goals, the Riverside Fire Department would like to utilize All Star Equipment to purchase safety clothing in accordance with Purchasing Resolution 23256, Section 602 (c).

Purchasing Resolution 23256 Section 602 (c) states that the competitive procurement 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 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 this 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 \$133,710.

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 fiscal impact of this recommendation is \$133,710. The funds are budgeted and available in General Fund, Fire Operations account number 3510000-426200.

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Approved by:	Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form:	Kristi J. Smith, City Attorney

Attachments:

- 1.) Sole Source Justification
- 2.) Purchasing Resolution 23256
- 3.) Authorized and Approved Distributor Letter