

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 10/25/22

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LOG NAME: 13COOP FIRE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIP ML FIRE

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Purchase Agreement with LION First Responder PPE, Inc and North America Fire Equipment Co, Inc in the Combined Annual Amount of \$1,350,000.00 and Authorize Three Consecutive One-Year Renewal Options for the Same Annual Amount for Fire Fighter Personal Protective Equipment for the Fire Department Using National Purchasing Partners Cooperative Contracts PS20065 and PS20045

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize a purchase agreement with LION First Responder PPE, Inc and North America Fire Equipment Co, Inc. in the combined annual amount of \$1,350,000.00 and authorize three consecutive one-year renewal options for the same annual amount for fire fighter personal protective equipment for the Fire Department using National Purchasing Partners cooperative contracts PS20065 and PS20045.

DISCUSSION:

The Fire Department contacted the Purchasing Division to enter into an agreement with LION First Responder PPE, Inc and North America Fire Equipment Co, Inc under National Purchasing Partners Cooperative Contracts PS20065 and PS20075, for fire fighter personal protective equipment.

Staff recommends executing an agreement with LION First Responder PPE, Inc using National Purchasing Partners Contract No. PS20065. This cooperative agreement has a term through June 13, 2023 with options to automatically renew for up to three (3) successive one (1) year periods. The Request for Proposal for National Purchasing Partners (League of Oregon Cities) No. 1915 was published until January 24, 2020. Cooperative contracts offer fixed discounts. Staff reviewed the pricing and determined it to be fair and reasonable.

Further, staff recommends executing an agreement with North America Fire Equipment Co, Inc using National Purchasing Partners Contract No. PS20045 (NAFECO). This cooperative agreement has a term through March 24, 2023 with options to automatically renew for up to three (3) successive one (1) year periods. The Request for Proposal for National Purchasing Partners (League of Oregon Cities) No. 1915 was published until January 24, 2020. Cooperative contracts offer fixed discounts. Staff reviewed the pricing and determined it to be fair and reasonable.

Funding is budgeted in the Fire Department rollup within the General Fund. All purchased PPE equipment will go into the Fire Inventory account and will be expensed at the time of distribution & use to the appropriate department.

These agreements may be renewed for up to three additional one-year terms, in accordance with the terms of the National Purchasing Partners. Should National Purchasing Partners elect to exercise the renewal option, the City will do the same. This action does not require specific City Council approval provided that the City Council has appropriated sufficient funds to satisfy the City's obligations during the renewal term.

State law provides that a local government purchasing an item under a cooperative purchase agreement satisfies any state law requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for purchase of the item. BuyBoard contracts are competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities across the State of Texas.

A M/WBE goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or public entity.

This project will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the recommendation, funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Fire Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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