

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 02/22/22 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-0123

LOG NAME: 36EXTRACTOR DONATION

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize the Acceptance of the Donation of Gear Cleaning Extractor Systems and Installations Valued at Approximately \$96,000.00 from the Fort Worth Fire Service Resource Network to be Installed at Six Fire Stations

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to accept the donation of gear cleaning extractor systems and installations valued at approximately \$96,000.00 from the Fort Worth Fire Service Resource Network to be installed at six fire stations.

DISCUSSION:

The Fort Worth Fire Service Resource Network is a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting Fort Worth Firefighters in reducing and treating cancer. They have generously offered the donation of six extractor systems and associated costs to install these at six fire stations. This donation is valued at approximately \$96,000.00 and will greatly benefit the Fire Department's cancer prevention efforts.

Extractors are used to remove carcinogens from firefighter's protective equipment. The Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) has adopted the National Fire Protection Association guidance, NFPA 1851, as a state standard which regulates the cleaning process for structural firefighting gear. The Fort Worth Fire Department currently has one extractor and requires that gear be sent in to a central location for advanced cleaning two times per year to comply with state mandates. However, structural firefighting gear becomes contaminated after the first fire that occurs post-cleaning. Firefighters are then exposed to carcinogens until the next cleaning. The Fort Worth Fire Department is an all hazards response organization with exposure to carcinogens on a regular basis.

This donation will benefit ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of this recommendation will have no material effect on City funds.

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