

City of Fort Worth, Texas

# Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 13PAMEND 17-0337 SAFETY FOOTWEAR TD CODE

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Amendment to the Purchase Agreement for Safety Footwear with Northern Imports, Inc., d/b/a Work Wear Safety Shoes and Red Wing Brands of America to Increase the Annual Amount by \$25,000.00 for a New Annual Amount of Up to \$125,000.00 for All City Departments

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize amendment to the purchase agreement for safety footwear with Northern Imports, Inc., d/b/a Work Wear Safety Shoes and Red Wing Brands of America to increase the annual amount by \$25,000.00 for a new annual amount of up to \$125,000.00 for all City Departments.

DISCUSSION:

In 2017, Purchasing Division authorized a non-exclusive agreement with Northern Imports, Inc., d/b/a Work Wear Safety Shoes and Red Wing Brands of America for safety footwear for all City Departments. Staff reviewed the pricing and found pricing to be fair and reasonable and awarded an agreement for a combined annual amount up to \$100,000.00.

In 2021, Code Compliance determined that additional funding would be needed. An increase to this agreement would allow for incoming employees to purchase boots and current employees the option to replace boots that have become worn due to chemical exposure. These chemical exposures can be a safety hazard to our City of Fort Worth employees. Currently there are multiple City of Fort Worth employees in need of boots for the Code Compliance Department. There are a total of five divisions for this department with a total of 119 City of Fort Worth employees in need of boots.

Description of estimation	Divisions					
	Consumer Health	Environmental	Building Standards	Admin	Solid Waste	Total
Number of new employees that need boots before the expiration of the contract (July 2, 2021)	7	5	0	0	11	23
Number of current employees that are still waiting for new boots	6	2	0	0	35	43
Number of current employees that are needing boots replaced	0	0	20	1	32	53
Totals	13	7	20	1	78	119

Staff recommends amending the agreement to add an additional \$25,000.00 for the City Departments for a new annual amount up to \$125,000.00. There is a one-year option to renew this agreement.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the participating departments' Operating Funds to support the approval of the above recommendation and amendment to the purchase agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the participating departments have the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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