



## City of Colusa California

### STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** March 04, 2025

**TO:** City of Colusa Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Logan Conley, Fire Chief, through Jessie Cain, City Manager

#### **AGENDA ITEM: Request to Purchase Turnout and Rescue Gear for New Volunteer Firefighters**

**Recommendation:** Council approve Resolution 25-, authorizing the purchase of four (4) sets of turnout gear for structural firefighting and one (1) set of rescue gear for new volunteer firefighters. Additionally, the department seeks authorization to procure this equipment from Cascade Fire Equipment, our sole source vendor, to maintain uniformity with existing INNOTEX gear.

#### **BACKGROUND ANALYSIS:**

The Colusa Fire Department has recently welcomed new volunteer firefighters who require essential protective gear to safely perform their duties.

Last year, the department replaced all turnout gear for its members, as the previous inventory had reached its 10-year shelf life. In compliance with NFPA 1851 standards, personal protective equipment (PPE) older than 10 years from the manufacture date cannot be used.

Turnout gear is critical for structural firefighting, providing thermal protection and ensuring firefighter safety, while rescue gear is essential for non-fire rescue operations such as vehicle extrications and technical rescues.

To maintain consistency with existing department-issued gear and ensure operational efficiency, the department proposes purchasing from Cascade Fire Equipment, the sole source vendor for INNOTEX materials, which has supplied our "Colusa Fire Spec" PPE for over 10 years

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

The estimated cost for this purchase is \$19,569, which is recommended to be funded through the Fire Department's allocated Measure B funding, Strike Team Funds, or a combination of both.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Council to approve Resolution 25-

**ATTACHMENT:**

- Exhibit A
  - Quote #QU05402 – Structural Firefighting Gear/PPE
- Exhibit B
  - Quote #QU05401 – Tech Rescue Gear/PPE
- Resolution 25-