

Staff Report

Subject: Request to Authorize the Purchase of SCBA Units
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Department: 55-Fire
Meeting Date: 08/25/2023
Item Description: Consideration to authorize the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Units

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends approving the purchase of 130 SCBAs and associated breathing equipment from Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC

Executive Summary/Background: Self Contained Breathing Apparatus, aka Air Packs, are the what is used by firefighters for air supply in emergency environments.

NFPA recommends a maximum lifespan of 15 years for these units, and carbon-fiber air cylinders have a finite lifespan of 15 years. ECFR's SCBAs are now at the end of their service life, or nearly to the end, as they were purchased at various intervals, with some used air packs purchased over the years.

This purchase will allow for the complete replacement of the fleet, keeping all air packs identical across the fleet.

In addition to utilizing a Collective Purchasing Program, NPPGOV, which solicits competitive pricing, ECFR has been able to also capitalize on Douglas County placing a similar order, so additional pricing discounts were applied due to volume.

Funding for this purchase will be requested is approved in the current budget.

Options/Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

Recommended Option: Approve to authorize the purchase of 130 SCBAs and supporting equipment from Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC

Other Alternative(s): Deny to authorize the purchase of SCBAs and supporting equipment from Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC

Department Review: Fire, Finance, Purchasing

Funding Source: Current Budget, \$1,306,654.50

Attachments: Quote, GPO Bid Documents