



City of Ketchum

September 8, 2020

Mayor Bradshaw and City Councilors
City of Ketchum
Ketchum, Idaho

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Recommendation to Approve Purchase Order 20508 for Purchase of SCBA Regulators

Recommendation and Summary

Staff is recommending the council provide authorization to the Mayor to sign purchase order 20508 for the purchase of additional regulators for self-contained breathing apparatus for the fire department with the following motion:

“I move to approve purchase order 20508 with Municipal Emergency Services and authorize the Mayor to sign the purchase order.”

The reasons for the recommendation are as follows:

- Regulators are a possible source of transmission of COVID-19 between firefighters.
- The purchase of additional regulators, to be shared with the volunteer association will lessen the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

Introduction and History

In 2018, the city purchased Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for the Ketchum Fire Department. This purchase included SCBA units for each riding position on the engine and the ladder truck. Along with that purchase, individual facepieces were purchased for each firefighter.

With the advent of COVID-19, all operations have faced increased scrutiny over potential exposure to COVID and other transmissible diseases. The ambulances have been retrofitted to reduce decontamination, and procedures have changed to provide for greater distancing and PPE.

One avenue of exposure is the sharing of the SCBA while at training or on incidents. While each firefighter has been issued a facepiece, the regulator that controls airflow to the facepiece are shared. This regulator is less than 2 inches from the users mouth. The regulators can be decontaminated, however that requires a break of 60 minutes between users. Alternately, a single firefighter can be assigned to use a particular SCBA, but that risks accidental swapping of units and limits the number of firefighters who can train or fight fire by more than half.

The regulators are designed to be quickly swapped out. This practice is now the recommended best practice to reduce exposure. Even if no transmission between responders occurs, quarantine of responders could occur if a risk of transmission occurs, which could severely impact availability of staff for 14 days.

Analysis

This request is for the City of Ketchum to fund 50% of the cost of individual regulators to be issued to all active firefighters. The Volunteer Firefighter's Association has authorized the remaining 50% of the purchase.

Sustainability Impact

There is no sustainability impact arising from this action.

Financial Impact

This purchase was not included in the approved FY 20 budget as the budget did not anticipate COVID exposure. The total would be \$38,350 for the regulators, of which the city would contribute 50% or \$19,175. The City's share may be reimbursable by the CARES Act funds allocated to the City.

Attachments

- Attachment A: Purchase Order 20508



3801 Fruit Valley Rd.
Suite C
Vancouver, WA 98660

Quote

Date 05/19/2020
Quote # QT1369183
Expires 06/18/2020
Sales Rep Courtney, Gavin
PO #
Shipping Method FedEx Ground

Bill To
KETCHUM FIRE DEPARTMENT
PO BOX 966
Ketchum ID 83340
United States

Ship To
Seth Martin
KETCHUM FIRE DEPARTMENT
480 EAST AVE. NORTH
Ketchum ID 83340
United States

Part	Alt. Item #	Units	Description	QTY	Unit Price	Amount
200077-60			REG ASY, QD, 2018	25	1,534.00	38,350.00

Subtotal 38,350.00
Shipping Cost (FedEx Ground) 0.00
Total \$38,350.00

This Quotation is subject to any applicable sales tax and shipping & handling charges that may apply. Tax and shipping charges are considered estimated and will be recalculated at the time of shipment to ensure they take into account the most current local tax information.

All returns must be processed within 30 days of receipt and require a return authorization number and are subject to a restocking fee.

Custom orders are not returnable. Effective tax rate will be applicable at the time of invoice.



QT1369183



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City Hall

Purchase Order

Number: 20508
Date: 9/3/2020

Vendor: Municipal Emergency Services
3801 Fruit Valley Rd.
Suite C
Vancouver, WA 98660

Quote Ref: QT1369183

Quantity	Item # / SKU	Description	Item Cost	Total Cost
25	200077-60	Reg Asy, QD. 2018	1534.00	\$38,350.00
			Total	\$38,350.00

The City of Ketchum is a tax-exempt political subdivision of the State of Idaho.

Please confirm this City of Ketchum Purchase Order with Grant Gager, Director Finance & Internal Services, at ggager@ketchumidaho.org or (208) 726-3841.

Please Ship Above Listed Items to:

City of Ketchum
Attn: Grant Gager
480 East Avenue N
Box 2315
Ketchum, ID 83340

Order Submitted By:

Grant Gager