

INTEROFFICE



MEMORANDUM

To: Melissa Marsh, City Manager

From: Greg Lelito, Fire Chief

Re: Capital purchase – SCBA Decon Washer

Date: 8/14/26

Funds are allocated in the FY 2026–2027 budget to purchase a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) decontamination washing system. The washer is a multi-purpose decontamination system designed to clean SCBAs, helmets, gloves, boots, and masks. This equipment continues our efforts to reduce firefighter exposure to carcinogens, soot, and other harmful contaminants produced by smoke and fires.

In April of this year, staff and I evaluated and met with four manufacturers of SCBA decontamination washing systems, assessing each system based on features, ease of use, capacity, and cost. Following this evaluation, Circul-Air Corp., the manufacturer of the Roto-Decon, was selected as the best fit for the department's needs and the most cost-effective system.

To ensure competitive pricing and an efficient procurement process, the department obtained quotes from three vendors that sell the Roto-Decon. One of the vendors provided pricing through Sourcewell, a cooperative purchasing program. After reviewing all three quotes, McQueen provided the lowest overall price, which was also below the pricing available through the Sourcewell quote.

Staff and I recommend that the City Council waive the formal procurement process and approve the purchase of the Roto-Decon from McQueen for a total amount of \$26,900.

I'd be happy to respond to any questions or comments regarding this issue.