



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 7/14/25

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AGENDA ITEM CONTENT: Turnout Gear

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Bid Awards/Purchases

BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$37,550.00

FUNDS REQUESTED: \$16,070.40

FUND: 101-336-744-0000

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In May 2024, the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity announced a grant opportunity for full-time fire departments to support the purchase of a second set of turnout gear for firefighters. This program provides up to \$3,500 per eligible firefighter and is designed to enhance the safety and operational readiness of firefighters.

In August 2024, the City Council approved Phase One of this project, which included the purchase of 17 sets of turnout gear. We are now requesting approval for Phase Two, which consists of purchasing an additional five sets.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff and I respectfully recommend that the City Council waive the formal bidding process and approve the purchase of five sets of turnout gear from Axes & Irons through Sourcewell, at a total cost of \$16,070.40. Funding for this purchase has been allocated in the FY 2025–26 budget and will be fully reimbursed through the grant.