



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 03/28/2023

REQUESTER: Ronny Davenport, Battalion Chief

PRESENTER: Jason Smith, Administrative Assistant Chief

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,876 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) SUPERVAC BATTERY OPERATED POSITIVE PRESSURE VENTILATION (PPV) FANS FROM THE CLEVELAND COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX COMMITTEE (CCPSST) TO BE USED BY THE NORMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DEPOSIT AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

BACKGROUND:

Section 8-111 of the City Code requires that the City Council accept all donations received by the City prior to the use or disbursement of same. Therefore, it is requested that Council review and consider the following items for acceptance and use by the Norman Fire Department.

The Norman Fire Department is a member of the Cleveland County Public Safety Sales Tax Committee (CCPSST). The Cleveland County Public Safety Sales Tax has been created to supplement the budget of emergency response providers in Cleveland County to help provide needed equipment for those departments.

DISCUSSION:

During last month's meeting, Norman Fire Department submitted an agenda item. A request was submitted for two (2) SuperVac battery-operated Positive Pressure Ventilation (PPV) fans in the amount of \$9,876 that would provide Stations 5 & 6 a unique ability to establish ventilation much quicker, lighter to move and set up, ability to operate with no cords causing trip hazards and less time delays for set up. This would not only serve the citizens of Norman, but also our surrounding Cleveland County mutual aid residents in the areas of Little Axe, Noble, southeast Oklahoma City, Newalla and Cedar Country. The distance to get to some homes can be challenging in these rural areas, and this equipment could provide a very positive impact on the scene of emergency incidents. Some additional advantages of these fans are below:

- 180-degree tilt angle - their capability to be used in attics for PPV or NPV, can be tilted straight down for a manhole if needed.
- Compact design - take up less compartment space and are contained to frame size
- Weighing approximately 51 pounds – less injury & easier to handle

- Batteries are compatible with extrication and power tools currently carried on apparatus
- Capable of using with or without “shore power”
- Built in light-emitting diodes in frame rail
- Water misting capability at a later date could be added for cooling during summer

The Committee conducted its monthly meeting, and the City of Norman Fire Department was awarded the funds to purchase the requested items.

Funds for these items has been received by the City and we are authorized to purchase the items and then submit proof of purchase to the CCPSST Chair, George Mauldin.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council accept the donation of \$9,876, deposit the funds into Donations-Public Safety (account 106-363376), and appropriate the funds into Fire Suppression: Other Supplies/Materials/Firefighting (account 10664143-43122) for two (2) SuperVac battery operated PPV fans for Fire Stations 5 and 6 of the City of Norman Fire Department.