

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING 12/8/2025
AGENDA ITEM NO.**

SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance authorizing the waiving of competitive bidding and approving funds for 50% of the purchase of a training structure referred to as Phase Three located at the Joint Training Facility at 920 South Main St in Rochele.

Staff Contact: David Sawlsville, Fire Chief

Summary: In November of 2021 Council approved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Ogle-Lee Fire Protection District for the development and operation of a Joint Training Facility located at 920 South Main Street in Rochelle. The IGA stipulates that all costs will be shared equally between the City and the District.

Phase One of this development was securing the property and building infrastructure that included two concrete pads, water drainage, water retention, water supply including two hydrants and a parking lot with curbing.

Phase Two included the placement of two prefabricated training structures. One single story structure with a built-in burn room, staircase, moveable walls, and a roof top prop and the other structure simulates a residential or commercial garage.

If approved, Phase Three is a three-story structure to simulate incidents within a multi-story building, both residential and commercial. The prefabricated structure includes burn rooms, stair wells, fire escapes, standpipes, balconies and a simulated elevator shaft. Additionally, this structure is designed to facilitate high angle technical rescue drills and confined space drills.

The total cost for the structure is \$669,000 including delivery and set up but does not include concrete work. At their regular meeting in October the Ogle-Lee Fire Protection District Board approved \$334,500 for half of the purchase price.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
FY2026		\$334,500

Strategic Plan Goal Application:

Core Service Delivery

Recommendation: Approve an Ordinance waiving competitive bidding and approve the City of Rochelle portion of the quote from American Training Systems, Inc in the amount of \$334,500.

Supporting Documents: