



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#14-1126

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: October 7, 2014

TITLE: Motion to approve the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus
(SCBA's) and associated equipment – Orange County Contract Y12-
1086F - \$1,238,476.35

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA's) and associated equipment utilizing the Orange County Board of County Commissioners Fire Rescue and HazMat Supplies and Equipment contract Y12-1086F from Fisher Scientific Company, L.L.C. in the amount of \$1,238,476.35 and authorize execution of the agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Fisher Scientific Company, L.L.C. for the purchase.

Background

The SCBA is one of the most important pieces of safety equipment utilized by fire personnel during an emergency event. SCBA's protect personnel in events involving smoke, hazardous materials, or immediate dangers to life and health. Beginning in January of 2015, a majority of the Fire-Rescue Department's inventory will no longer be in compliance with existing National Fire Protection Association standards creating safety and potential liability concerns.

In November 2013, the Fire-Rescue Department applied for funds through the United States (US) Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant. In July 2014, the Department was notified that its funding application for SCBAs was approved in the amount of \$927,330, which included a 10% cash match of \$92,733 from the City. On August 19, 2014 (CAM 14-0891), the City Commission approved acceptance of the grant.

Upon review of the initial grant award, the Fire-Rescue Department submitted an amendment to increase the grant award based on the quantities and cost allocation as established by FEMA. FEMA granted the increase in the award and the Fire Department received an additional \$61,651 in grant funding, consisting of \$55,485 in federal funds and \$6,166 in City funding as the 10% match. The amended grant award

is also being presented for approval to the City Commission (CAM 14-1167). This brings the total grant award to \$988,981, including the City's cash match.

Following the grant award notification in July, additional funds were allocated in the FY 2015 budget to ensure that adequate funding would be available to meet the SCBA needs of the Fire Department. Funding in the amount of \$249,495.35 is available in the Fire-Rescue Department budget to combine with the grant funding of \$988,981 for a total purchase of \$1,238,476.35.

Pursuant to Section 2-181(7) of the Code of Ordinances, this purchase will be made in accordance with Orange County Board of County Commissioners contract Y12-1086F from Fisher Scientific Company, L.L.C. in the amount of \$1,238,476.35, whereby such contract or formal bid followed formal bid procedures of sealed written bids, public opening, and legal advertising.

Resource Impact

Contingent upon the grant approval for the additional fund SCBA Grant Request, CAM 14-1167, and the approval of the related Budget Amendment CAM 14-0962, there will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$1,238,476.35.

Funds Available as of October 1, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (PROGRAM)	OBJECT CODE SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (OBJECT CODE)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (OBJECT CODE)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
129-GSCBA15-6499	FY13 AFG SCBA's	Capital/Other Equipment	\$927,330*	\$927,330*	\$988,981.00
01-FIR030101-6499	Fire-Rescue Support	Capital/Other Equipment	\$919,367	\$919,367	\$249,495.35
*Additional funds in the amount of \$61,651 are included for appropriation on the consolidated budget amendment CAM 14-0962.			PURCHASE TOTAL		\$1,238,476.35

Strategic Connections:

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 10: Be a City well-prepared for and responsive to all hazards.
- Objective 1: Provide and effectively communicate comprehensive emergency management planning and disaster recovery.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Ready*.

Related CAM(s):

#14-1167 Grant Acceptance for Additional Funds – SCBA

#14-0962 Consolidated Budget Amendment

Attachments

Exhibit 1- Agreement

Exhibit 2 - Quote

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