



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#21-0650

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 6, 2021

TITLE: Motion Approving an Increase in Funds for Web Uniform and Equipment
Purchasing Program – Galls, LLC in the amount of \$300,000 –
(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve additional funding for Web Uniform and Equipment Purchasing Program with Galls, LLC in the amount of \$300,000; (\$100,000 estimated in Fiscal Year 2021; \$200,000 estimated for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 respectively).

Background

On February 18, 2020, the City Commission approved an agreement for Web Uniform and Equipment Purchasing Program with Galls, LLC (CAM 20-0046) in the amount of \$130,000 (one-year total). The agreement approved is a piggyback procurement from the Broward Sheriff's Office and expires on August 16, 2023.

The Fire Rescue Department has transitioned to the issuance of uniforms that meet the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) compliance standards. The described standard of protection is a cotton blend material required to be worn by each firefighter underneath their bunker gear, while operating in hazardous environments (i.e., a structure fire). The current uniforms worn by firefighters, (t-shirts, dress shirts, and station pants) are non-compliant and require replacement. The described standard protects all firefighters in the event they are injured by significant burns, and therefore would enhance the survivability and long-term recovery of such an injury.

An increase in funds to the existing contract is needed to purchase the NFPA compliant uniforms. The Fire Department anticipates an annual expenditure of \$100,000 per year for the issuance and future replacement of the NFPA compliant pants. This will ensure the safety of Fire-Rescue personnel.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the estimated amount of \$100,000 in FY 2021. Funds for this purchase are available in the FY 2021 budget in the below listed account. Future year expenditures are contingent upon approval of annual fiscal year budgets.

<i>Funds available as of June 15, 2021</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-FIR030101-3949	Fire Rescue Support	Services & Materials/Uniforms	\$3,406,779	\$533,310	\$100,000
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$100,000

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- Goal 6: Build a safe and well-prepared community.
- Objective: Provide quick and exceptional fire, medical, and emergency response
- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 7: Build a values-based organization dedicated to developing and retaining qualified employees.
- Objective: Improve employee safety and wellness

This item advances the *Fast-Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are Connected*.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Existing Piggyback Agreement

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