

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

**Date:** January 26, 2015

Agenda Item No. 38D Roll Call No. 15-0124

Communication No. <u>15-021</u>

Submitted by: John F. TeKippe,

Fire Chief

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approve annual contract for the provision of medical examination, personal protection equipment (PPE) gloves for the Des Moines Fire Department to Performance Safety Group, 781A Rudder Road, Fenton, MO 63026, Chris Sanders, President, in the amount of \$30,000.

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approving award of an annual contract with two (2) additional one-year renewal options to furnish nitrile medical gloves for the Des Moines Fire Department to the low compliant bidder, Performance Safety Group.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$30,000

<u>Funding Source</u>: Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2015 Operating Budget, Fire Department, Emergency

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#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Invitation to Bid V15-059 for the provision of nitrile medical gloves for the Des Moines Fire Department was sent to nine (9) potential bidders. Five (5) bids were received from the following vendors: Bound Tree Medical LLC; PH and S Products, LLC; Egan Supply Company; Midwest Medical Supply Co., LLC; and Performance Safety Group.

Egan Supply Company provided the low bid; however, their product has been determined to be non-compliant as this glove does not meet bid specifications for cuff thickness and finger thickness of the glove. Bound Tree Medical, LLC bid the Defender glove that was determined to be non-compliant because it did not meet specifications for cuff thickness and palm thickness. Midwest Medical Supply Co., LLC bid the Apex Pro glove that was determined to be non-compliant because it did not meet specifications in the cuff thickness and palm thickness. It is important for the nitrile medical gloves to meet all of these specifications in order to protect EMS and Haz Mat personnel from biological and hazardous substances that they may be exposed to during the performance of their duties as emergency responders. Specified cuff thickness and palm thickness is important due to the stress these areas of the gloves experience during donning and removal of the gloves. Specified finger thickness is necessary to protect the user from abrasions and some chemical exposures.

The Fire Department has determined that Performance Safety Group's proposed PSG HI-RISK Supersoft glove is the low compliant bid that meets the nitrile glove specification, and staff recommends that the contract be awarded to them.

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 7, 2011

Roll Call Number: 11-1883

Action: PH & S Products LLC (Ann Hull, Owner/President) for an annual contract with two (2) additional one-year renewal options to furnish nitrile gloves for use by the Fire Department, annual estimated cost \$30,000. (Eleven bids mailed, two received). (Council Communication No. 11-695) Moved by Mahaffey to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

### **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

#### ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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