


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	19-382	Meeting:	September 9, 2019
	Agenda Item:	52C	Roll Call:	19-1421
	Submitted by:	John F. TeKippe, Fire Chief		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approve an exception to the bidding process for good cause shown, and to allow the Fire Department's purchase authority up to \$191,000, to acquire Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), fire coats and pants utilizing direct purchasing.

SYNOPSIS:

Authorize the Fire Department's purchase authority for acquisition of PPE - fire coats and pants up to \$191,000. Honeywell First Responder Products, 1 Innovation Court, Dayton, OH, 45414, John Waldron, President and CEO. Honeywell - Morning Pride Fire Coats and Pants are the Fire Department's standardized, and currently issued, PPE since 2007.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$191,000

Funding Source:

- \$46,000 FY 2019-2020 Fire Operating Budget, FD101500, General Fund, Page 111
- \$145,000 FY 2019-2020 Fire Operating Budget, FD104113, General Fund, Page 115

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Since 2007 the Fire Department has standardized fire coats and pants to consist of Honeywell - Morning Pride PPE.
- Each year, 42 sets are replaced, due to normal service life. Approximately 20 additional sets are issued to new hires during the fire academy.
- The Fire Department must also be prepared to replace approximately 10 sets per year due to unforeseen circumstances as seen from industrial exposures or HAZ MAT contamination, etc. that cannot be cleaned or salvaged by conventional means.

- To continue to verify the appropriateness of the standardized choice for PPE, and to continue to evaluate best cost and value, the department recently concluded a year-long field testing process of PPE:
 - Field test concluded our current standardized PPE to be best for firefighter safety and comfort.
 - The test included different materials and configurations to keep current on new technology.
 - Field tests continue and will be ongoing, as technology is ever evolving.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 6, 2018

Roll Call Number: [18-1346](#)

Action: Purchases from the following:

- (D) [Sandry](#) Fire Supply (Mary Sandry, Owner/Manager) as sole area-wide distributor to furnish Morning Pride fire coats and pants for use by the Fire Department, \$180,000. ([Council Communication No. 18-410](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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