



DATE: September 4, 2018

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: Fire

TITLE: **Increase Appropriations in the Fire Department for the Sale of Surplus SCBA Equipment**

RECOMMENDATION

Increase appropriations by \$31,684 in the Fire Department for the sale of surplus self-contained breathing apparatus equipment, to purchase deferred Fire Department tools and equipment. (Five votes required)

BACKGROUND

In Fiscal Year 2017-18, the Fire Department's budget included \$352,800 for the replacement of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) equipment to provide for improved fire ground, hazardous material, and confined space rescue communications, as well as Firefighter safety. The Fire Department's budget also included \$27,640 separately for five additional SCBAs for the new Type 6 Engine and new Command Vehicle. The actual cost for the SCBA was \$436,873, \$56,423 more than budgeted. The additional costs are attributable to five additional SCBAs (three for the OES Engine and two extra for spares), upgrading the SCBAs to have a thermal-imaging camera, radio upgrades (Bluetooth firmware/programming), and retrofitting existing air supply infrastructure (filling compressors, hazardous materials team equipment, rapid intervention equipment, and confined space rescue equipment).

The surplus SCBA was sold to Dalmation Fire Equipment for \$31,684. Inventory, preparing, and packaging the 425 items for shipment took considerable time for on-duty personnel to complete. These items were sent to Dalmation Fire Equipment in early March 2018. The Fire Department received the check for \$31,684 in July 2018.

The additional equipment and features associated with the purchase and implementation of the new SCBA resulted in increased costs of \$56,433. In order to finish Fiscal Year 2017-18 within budget, several necessary purchases were deferred, with purchases limited to those deemed "essential" for emergency response. Deferred purchases include, but are not limited to:

Bendix King radio supplies	\$10,000
Equipment for E652 to make it compliant with CFAA standards	4,000
Wildland support equipment	4,000
Fire Hose replacement	5,000
Training consumables (supplies for vent prop and forcible entry prop)	2,000
Books for Captain Exam in each fire station	1,000
Hazardous Materials Team equipment maintenance/rebuild of chemical detector	4,000
Assorted fire station supplies	<u>3,000</u>
 TOTAL DEFERRED IN 2017-18	 <u>\$33,000</u>

ANALYSIS

Revenue from the sale of the surplus SCBAs was received in July 2018. The Fire Department is requesting the \$31,684 be appropriated to the Fire suppression special materials and supplies budget to complete the deferred purchases and maintain the expected program/project budgets planned for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

FISCAL IMPACT

The appropriation of \$31,684 in revenue resulting from the sale of surplus Fire Department equipment will fund the purchase of deferred items from the Fiscal Year 2018-19 budget.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Do not appropriate funds and have deferred equipment maintenance/replacement come from the Fiscal Year 2018-19 budget which could likely cause purchase deferrals again at the end of Fiscal Year 2018-19.
2. Appropriate funds in a different amount.

PUBLIC NOTICING – Agenda posting.

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