

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Administrator Ron Johnson

SUBJECT: Approve Fire Department Turnout Gear Purchase

DATE: January 16, 2015

BACKGROUND

Council earlier authorized the department's FEMA Grant for \$54,340 along with the city match of \$2,860 for a total of \$57,200. This would replace 22 sets of turnout gear that are obsolete.

The fire department would like to replace all 30 sets of gear as they are making some significant changes to our equipment. This will make it all match and have the same safety features.

The department needs an additional \$28,946.50 to replace all the gear to current specification. The department is requesting approval of the purchase from their equipment fund (adequate funds are available).

All turnout gear has a useful life of 10 years or less and must be within 2 NFPA standards.

Jeremy Mouw will be available at the next meeting to field any questions.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Approve a motion approving the expenditure of an additional \$28,946.50 to upgrade all of the fire department's turnout gear.