



Legislation Text

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Request to Purchase Fire Protection Equipment for Gainesville Fire Rescue (NB)

This item involves a request for the City Commission to approve the issuance of a purchase order to Municipal Equipment Company of \$41,314 for bunker gear. When added to the initial purchase in FY20 of \$97,340, the total purchase shall not exceed \$138,654.

Gainesville Fire Rescue provides fire protection equipment, including bunker gear, for over 170 full-time firefighting positions. The maximum useful life for bunker gear is 10 years. The department distributes the replacement costs for bunker gear over multiple years. A purchase order for the period October 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 was approved September 18, 2019 for \$97,340 for Municipal Equipment Company.

In May 2020, the City hired thirteen new firefighters who will require additional bunker gear beyond the initial purchase. The cost of these additional sets will bring the total of the purchase to \$138,654. On May 14, 2020, City Purchasing approved the revised Method of Source Selection for Municipal Equipment Company.

Funds for the original purchase of \$97,340 were identified in GFR's uniform account 001-820-8220-5220-3040 -01. Funds for \$41,314 for the additional 13 sets of bunker gear have been identified in GFR's Capital Improvement account 360-820-M124-5220-3009.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager to execute the purchase order not to exceed \$41,314 to Municipal Equipment Company for fire protection equipment resulting in a total cost not to exceed \$138,654.