

# City of Charlotte

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center 600 East 4th Street Charlotte, NC 28202

## Legislation Text

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### **Firefighting Turnout Gear**

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve unit price contracts for the purchase of firefighting turnout gear for an intial term of two years to the following:
  - Atlantic Emergency Solutions,
  - Municipal Emergency Solutions, Inc,
  - Newton's Fire and Safety Equipment Inc, and
- B. Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to three, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

Reginald Johnson, Charlotte Fire Department Damian Owens, Charlotte Fire Department

#### **Explanation**

- Firefighting turnout gear consists of a jacket, pants, and a hood to help protect the firefighters from thermal and mechanical injury.
- Firefighting turnout gear is used by the Charlotte Fire Department (CFD) for personal firefighter
  protection while performing daily tasks including firefighting, search and rescue, and responding to
  building entrapments and gas leaks.
- On January 27, 2020, the city issued an Invitation to Bid (ITB), on behalf of the Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (CCPA); Five bids were received.
- The following were selected as the lowest responsive, responsible bidders for specific manufacturers' products.
  - Atlantic Emergency Solutions is an authorized distributor for Innotex brand gear;
  - Municipal Emergency Solutions Inc is an authorized distributor for Fire-Dex brand gear; and
  - Newton's Fire and Safety Equipment Inc is an authorized distributor for Globe, PGI, and Morning Pride brand gear.
- CCPA contracts are available for the use of and to benefit all entities that must comply with state purchasing laws.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$850,000.

#### **Charlotte Business INClusion**

Per Charlotte Business INClusion Policy: Part C: Section 2.1(a) the city shall not establish Subcontracting Goals for Contracts where (a) there are no subcontracting opportunities identified for the Contract; or (b) there are no SBEs or MWBEs certified to perform the scopes of work that the city regards as realistic opportunities for subcontracting.

This contract meets the provisions of (a) - No subcontracting opportunities

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: CFD Operating Budget