

## Legislation Text

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### Fire Apparatus Cooperative Purchasing Contract

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of fire apparatus from a cooperative contract,**
- B. Approve a unit price contract with Rev Group (Sourcewell Contract 113021-RVG) for the purchase of fire apparatus for a term of one year, and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for additional terms as long as the cooperative contract is in effect, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract.**

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

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#### **Explanation**

- Fire apparatus are primarily used for service calls involving fires, medical aid, or hazardous materials to transport firefighters to an incident with the necessary equipment for firefighting and technical rescue operations.
- Fire apparatus include fire engines, ladder trucks, and mid mount platforms.
- Charlotte Fire operates Spartan Motors USA Inc. fire trucks. This contract would allow for fleet standardization and savings on operational training, parts, and maintenance.
- NC General Statute Section 143-129 (e) (3) allows local governments to purchase from formally organized cooperative purchasing contracts.
- A cooperative purchasing agreement results from the consolidation and competitive solicitation of multiple public agency requirements. By aggregating common needs all agencies can leverage economies of scale, such as volume discounts, improved terms and conditions, reduced administrative costs, and access to professional and technical expertise.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$8,000,000.

#### **Charlotte Business INclusion**

This is a cooperative purchasing contract and is exempt (Part A: Appendix 27 of the Charlotte Business INclusion Policy).

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: General Capital Equipment Fund