



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

Council Session

Item G-20

#2018-27 – Approving Purchase of Firefighter Personal Escape Kits and Accessories

Staff Contact: Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

Council Agenda Memo

From: Fire Chief Cory Schmidt
Meeting: January 23, 2018
Subject: Firefighter Escape Kit Purchase
Presenter(s): Fire Chief Schmidt and DC Hiemer

Background

Grand Island Fire Department (GIFD) personnel are required to work in dangerous environments as part of their duties. During an emergency situation, a firefighter may need to escape from a window or other elevated position to seek safety. The GIFD identified a commercial escape system for individual firefighters and applied for a grant to help offset the cost to the City.

Discussion

The GIFD was recently awarded a \$26,918.00 grant from Firehouse Subs Safety Foundation Inc. The grant was intended to purchase 40 firefighter personal escape kits and accessories. GIFD requests Council to authorize the purchase of the 40 firefighter personal escape kits and accessories from Fire Innovations for \$26,918.00.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council moves to approve the purchase of 40 firefighter personal escape kits from Fire Innovations for the amount of \$26,918.00.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the purchase of 40 firefighter personal escape kits from Fire Innovations for \$26,918.00.

RESOLUTION 2018-27

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Fire Department completed a grant application to purchase 40 firefighter personal escape systems from Fire Innovations; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Fire Department was awarded a grant from Firehouse Subs Safety Foundation Inc. to purchase the 40 firefighter personal escape systems at a cost of \$26,918.00; and

WHEREAS, Council approved the acceptance of the grant from Firehouse Subs Safety Foundation Inc. in the amount of \$26,918.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, move to approve the purchase of 40 firefighter personal escape kits and accessories from Fire Innovations for \$26,918.00.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, January 23, 2018.

Jeremy L. Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
January 19, 2018	☐ City Attorney