



CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Approving Purchase of Safety Equipment Turnout Gear to Fisher Scientific]of Suwanee, Georgia (\$25,280.56)
MEETING DATE: October 17,2012
PREPARED BY Fire Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt resolution approving the purchase of safety equipment turnout gear to Fisher Scientific, of Suwanee, Georgia, in the amount of \$25,280.56.

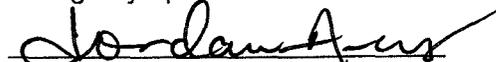
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Firefighter safety requires that structural firefighting turnout gear meet the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1851 standard. Turnouts are the firefighters' first line of protection from extreme temperatures, poisonous/toxic gases, and injury. The goal is to protect crews from extreme heat and byproducts of combustion while providing gear that is user friendly] maneuverable]and not restrictive to the myriad responsibilities of the job.

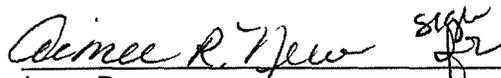
The life expectancy of turnouts is five years as long as the gear is able to pass the required annual testing process of NFPA 1971, which is designed to test the integrity of the equipment and ensure that it is providing appropriate levels of protection as it was designed to do. The enemies of the gear are age, ultraviolet light, moisture, extreme temperatures, abrasive environments, hydrocarbon vapors, and normal wear and tear. These are all environments commonly encountered in the fire service. Safety is the top priority for our personnel, maintaining a replacement turnout program is an integral part of the Lodi Fire Departments goal of firefighter safety.

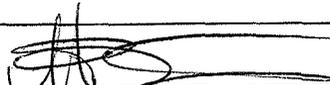
There are only two companies in the State of California that provide the approved turnout gear referenced above. Staff received a bid from both companies. The bid amount from Fisher Scientific was \$25,280.56. The bid amount from Jaeco Fire & Safety was \$28,598.47. Therefore it is recommended that the purchase be made from Fisher Scientific.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding is included in the annual operating budget. Maintaining the replacement schedule will reduce the need in the future for larger purchases.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Emergency Operations Account 102012.7306


Jordan Ayers, Deputy City Manager


Larry Rooney
Fire Chief

APPROVED: 
Konradt Bartlam, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-166

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
APPROVING PURCHASE OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT
TURNOUT GEAR FROM FISHER SCIENTIFIC, OF
SUWANEE, GEORGIA

WHEREAS, Firefighter safety requires that structural firefighting turnout gear meet the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1851 standard; and

WHEREAS, turnouts are the firefighters' first line of protection from extreme temperatures, poisonous/toxic gases, and injury; and

WHEREAS, the goal is to protect crews from extreme heat and byproducts of combustion while providing gear that is user friendly, maneuverable, and not restrictive to the myriad responsibilities of the job; and

WHEREAS, there are only two companies in the State of California that provide the approved turnout gear referenced above; and

WHEREAS, bids were received for 12 sets of safety equipment turnout gear from the following bidders:

Fisher Scientific	\$25,280.56
Jaeco Fire & Safety	\$28,598.47

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize the purchase of 12 sets of safety equipment turnout gear from Fisher Scientific, of Suwanee, Georgia, at a cost of \$25,280.56.

Date: October 17, 2012

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2012-166 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held October 17, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Johnson, Katzakian, Nakanishi, and Mayor Mounce

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


RANDI JOHL
City Clerk