



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to associate General Budget Reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate universal term contract purchase agreement(s) on behalf of the Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire for the purchase of ballistic vests and helmets from Blue Line Innovations Inc. and Galls, LLC, respectively, as required for approval by City Council in order for the division to expend more than \$100,000.00, per City Code Section 329.19(g), for the Division of Fire. These personal protection items will provide replacement equipment for current division personnel, used as protective outerwear in daily emergency medical response operations.

Bid Information: Universal term contracts exist for these expenditures ~ Blue Line Innovations Inc. (vendor #022341) \$152,725.00 // Galls, LLC (vendor #007478) \$66,346.00

Emergency Designation: This legislation is to be declared an emergency measure to make funding immediately available for the purchase of said equipment for division personnel.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$219,071.00 from the Division of Fire's 2021 General Fund budget for ballistic vests and helmets for current personnel. The Division of Fire's general fund budget includes funding PPE (\$1,133,894); \$850,000.00 has been encumbered via general budget reservations thus far this year with Galls LLC.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to associate general budget reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate universal term contract purchase agreement(s), on behalf of the Division of Fire, for the purchase of ballistic vests and helmets from Blue Line Innovations Inc. and Galls LLC, respectively; to authorize and direct the City Auditor to transfer \$296,000.00 within the Division of Fire's general fund budget from the Transfer line item to Materials and Supplies; to authorize the expenditure of \$219,071.00 from the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$219,071.00)

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase replacement ballistic vests and helmets for use by the Division of Fire on emergency medical response operations; and,

WHEREAS, universal term contracts have been established by the Purchasing Office for ballistic vests and helmets with Blue Line Innovations Inc. and Galls, LLC, respectively; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Finance and Management to associate general budget reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate universal term contract purchase agreement(s) on behalf of the Division of Fire for the purchase of said PPE gear, for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **now, therefore:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the Director of Finance and Management be and is hereby authorized to associate the general budget reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate universal term contract purchase agreement(s) on behalf of the Division of Fire for the purchase of ballistic vests and helmets from Blue Line Innovations Inc. and Galls, LLC respectively.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$296,000, or so much thereof as may be needed, within the Division of Fire's 2021 general operating fund budget, per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$219,071.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purchase of uniforms and turnout gear be and is hereby authorized from the General Fund, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.