



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an amendment to Contract No. 35010 with Allstar Fire Equipment, Inc., of Arcadia, CA, to increase the annual contract amount by \$300,000, with a 20 percent contingency in the amount of \$100,000, for a revised annual contract amount not to exceed \$600,000, for the purchase and delivery of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus and related equipment. (Citywide)

City Council approval is requested to increase the existing agreement with Allstar Fire Equipment, Inc. (Allstar), by \$300,000 with a 20 percent contingency of \$100,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$600,000 annually. This agreement is used for the purchase and delivery of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and related equipment. SCBAs comprise a critical component of a firefighter's personal protective equipment ensemble, providing breathable air, respiratory protection, and voice communication in fires and other environments that are immediately dangerous to life and health. Under this agreement, Allstar provides the Long Beach Fire Department (LBFD) with Scott brand SCBAs and related equipment, including cylinders, regulators, air packs, face pieces, and voice amplifier assemblies, and will provide repair service and testing of this equipment.

On August 7, 2018, the City Council awarded a contract to Allstar for a total of \$200,000 annually for a period of two years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods. It was estimated that the amount would be sufficient to purchase SCBAs through August 6, 2020. In a recent review of the status of SCBAs and related equipment, it was determined that a significant number of SCBAs were in need of replacement in the next two years due to a maximum usage limit of 15 years. This increase will allow the LBFD to replace the aging equipment to ensure firefighter safety. The LBFD has put a plan in place for the future replacement to be spread over the lifespan of the equipment.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Monica J. Kilaita on January 28, 2019 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on January 31, 2019.

City Council action is requested on February 19, 2019, to allow for the continued and timely purchasing of SCBAs and related equipment.

The revised annual contract amount will not exceed \$600,000. There is sufficient appropriation in the General Fund (GF) in the Fire Department (FD) for this contract increase. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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FIRE CHIEF

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER