



RESOLUTION NO. 7176

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE FIRE CHIEF TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE LION V-FORCE FIREFIGHTER TURNOUTS FROM SEAWESTERN, INC. USING A COOPERATIVE CONTRACT WITH SOURCEWELL AND LION FIRST RESPONDER PPE INC. NOT TO EXCEED \$315,495

WHEREAS, firefighting turnout have a recommended lifespan of three to 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the Albany Fire Department's current turnouts are six years old and are failing safety inspections; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative, is a cooperative purchasing organization offering a portfolio of competitively bid and publicly awarded contracts to its members locally and nationally; and

WHEREAS, Oregon Revised Statutes 279A.220 and Oregon Administrative Rules 137-046-0400 to 480 allow local governments access to competitively bid contracts using interstate cooperative procurements for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell conducted a formal, competitive request for proposals for firefighting personal protective equipment, apparel, and accessories (No. 032620), that included cooperative language for governmental agencies to use, and advertised the solicitation in the Daily Journal of Commerce in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to LION First Responder PPE Inc., a partner of SeaWestern, Inc., on May 6, 2020, with a condition that the Master Price Agreement's price, terms, and conditions could be assigned to Sourcewell members; and

WHEREAS, the Master Price Agreement includes specifications for firefighter turnouts; and


WHEREAS, purchasing firefighter turnouts from a competitively bid, cooperative contract would not reduce competition or give favoritism, and provides the best available pricing for the equipment.

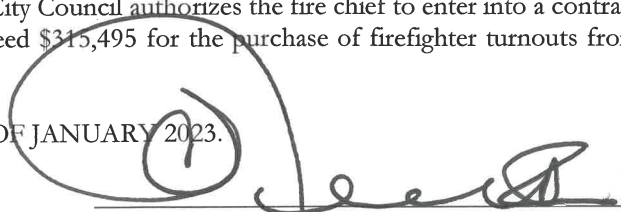
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council approve an exemption from the competitive bidding process for the Fire Department to purchase LION V-Force Turnouts from SeaWestern, Inc. through an existing contract between Sourcewell and LION First Responder PPE Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Albany City Council authorizes the fire chief to enter into a contract with LION First Responder PPE Inc. not to exceed \$315,495 for the purchase of firefighter turnouts from SeaWestern, Inc.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 30TH DAY OF JANUARY 2023.

ATTEST:


Allison L. Heise
City Clerk



Mayor