



City Council Regular Meeting AGENDA ITEM

NUMBER: 7

SUBJECT:

Advanced Extrication Equipment Purchase Agreement with Western Extrication Specialists Inc. in an Amount Not to Exceed \$205,836.55 for the Purchase of Advanced Extrication Equipment for the Fire Department (CIP Project No. 22021). (Citywide) (For Possible Action; Recommendation – Approve)

REQUESTED BY:

Joseph Calhoun, Fire Chief

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(Citywide)

RECOMMENDATION OR RECOMMEND MOTION:

That City Council approve the Advanced Extrication Equipment Purchase Agreement with Western Extrication Specialists Inc.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$205,836.55

Explanation: Not to exceed amount of agreement

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

00426-300232-450540-000000

STAFF COMMENTS AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Western Extrication Specialists Inc. (Western Extrication) is the City's geographical distributor for the extrication equipment detailed in the Advanced Extrication Equipment Purchase Agreement (Agreement). The equipment being provided by Western Extrication under the Agreement will help to increase public safety and allow the City's Fire Department to respond more quickly to emergency situations.

The enhanced equipment ensures quicker and more efficient extrication of victims from vehicles, reducing the time it takes to provide medical care. Modern equipment is lighter and easier to handle, reducing the risk of injury to first responders. Western Extrication's equipment has technological advancements. The newer equipment incorporates the latest technology, which improves the effectiveness and precision of extrication operations. The advanced tools handle the latest vehicle materials and safety features, such as high-strength steel and advanced airbags. Additionally, updating equipment ensures compliance with current national and international fire service safety standards. Investing in high-quality equipment now can prevent higher costs associated with injuries to first responders or prolonged rescue operations. Modern equipment provides better training opportunities for firefighters, ensuring they are prepared for a wide range of emergency scenarios. Plus, new tools offer more reliable performance during emergency incidents. Investing in new equipment prepares the Fire Department for future challenges and ensures the City is ready to handle the evolving needs of the community. Lastly, Staying ahead with the latest technology ensures the department remains a leading force in emergency response.

CIP No. CIP22021	Related Item:
LIST CITY COUNCIL GOAL(S): Safe and Livable Community	

PREPARED BY:	Respectfully Submitted	MEETING DATE:
Joseph Calhoun, Fire Chief	Micaela R. Moore, City Manager	August 21, 2024