



Galveston Fire Department

STAFF REPORT

February 5, 2020

To: Dan Buckley, Deputy City Manager
Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

Subject: Consider for Approval the Purchase of 35 sets of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from NAFECO through Buy Board (contract #524-17) for a total amount of \$89,960.50. Funding for the PPE's will come from our Protective Clothing account.

I. Background

- A. In accordance with Texas Administrative Code Title 37 Part 13 Chapter 435.1, all regulated Fire Departments shall provide a full ensemble of NFPA approved personal protective equipment (PPE).
- B. This equipment must be maintained in compliance with NFPA 1851 Standard on Selection, Care & Maintenance of Structural Fire Fighting Protective Ensembles.
- C. A full set of PPE for one Fire Fighter costs approximately \$2,700.00. Cost per item is as follows: Coats - \$1,534.50 each / Pants - \$1,035.80 each

II. Current Situation

- A. GFD strives to maintain 234 full sets of PPE. This would provide a full set for all 117 active duty Firefighters plus 117 sets of replacement PPE.
- B. GFD initiated a plan in 2017 to replace all PPE on a three-year rotation. NFPA now requires us to maintain two full sets of gear for each firefighter.
- C. The current plan that we have in place to replace our PPE will cover this requirement.

III. Alternatives in order of priority

- A. Approve the purchase of 35 sets of PPE for \$89,960.50 and comply with NFPA's requirements.
- B. Do not approve the purchase which would make GFD non-compliant with NFPA requirements.

IV. Recommendation

- A. Proceed with the purchase of the protective clothing for \$89,960.50





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V. Fiscal Impact Report

Requested by	Charles Olsen Sr GFD Fire Chief
Funding Source	0100-221441-522014-422000
Cost	\$89,960.50

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Charles Olsen Sr

