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FIRE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator
Fran Donelson, Administrative Secretary

FROM: Jerry Ewers, Fire Chief

DATE: February 23, 2017

SUBJECT: Council Agenda Request – Fire Bunker Gear Washer

INTRODUCTION:

Requesting to purchase a Dexter 40 LB C-Series Washer/Extractor from Century Laundry Distributing. This capital outlay purchase was approved in the revised FY 16/17 Fire Operations budget.

BACKGROUND:

Currently we need to replace our existing gear washer due to the age of the machine and the inability to get replacement parts that are damaged. Recently, the machine malfunctioned while cleaning firefighter turn-out gear and had to be disassembled to unlock the door to recover the garments. The current machine was donated 20+ years ago from the old laundry mat and parts are obsolete.

Three quotes were obtained for a 40 LB Industrial/Commercial washer/extractor. This includes the washer/extractor, washer base, and installation. The quotes are as follows:

Century Laundry Distributing – 40 LB unit by Dexter - \$6,968.00
BDS Laundry Systems - 40 LB unit by UniMac - \$7,209.00
Ross Chemical Systems - 40 LB unit by Continental – 7,204.00.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

Request authorization to issue purchase order to Century Laundry Distributing for \$6,968.00 to purchase a Dexter 40 LB C-Series washer/extractor. There is \$9,000.00 budgeted for this purchase.