



## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Mayor and Commissioners  
**FROM:** Keith Tomey, Interim Fire Chief  
**THROUGH:** Chief Neal de Jesus, Interim City Manager  
**DATE:** March 30, 2017

AWARD OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO BENNETT FIRE PRODUCTS COMPANY, INC. FOR PURCHASE OF FIREFIGHTER BUNKER GEAR

**Recommended Action:**

Motion to Award a purchase agreement to Bennett Fire Products Company, Inc. for firefighter protective gear in the annual not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.

**Background:**

On September 30, 2016, Purchasing issued ITB No. 2017-007 for Firefighter Protective Gear; Bunker Gear. Five bids were received from Bennett Fire Products Company, Municipal Emergency Services (MES), Kedyrolo, SOS-Safety International, and The Tools Man. The bids from Kedyrolo and SOS-Safety International were deemed non-responsive and the bid from MES did not meet the specification requirements and was deemed non-responsible. The lowest responsive, responsible bidder is Bennett Fire Products Company. The Agreement term will be for two years through March 31, 2017, with one, one-year option to renew.

The bid from Bennett Fire Products Company is for an amount of \$90,070 based on the annual estimated quantities of bunker gear. The requested amount includes an additional contingency of \$9,930 to allow for the purchase of extra sets of bunker gear, if required.

Bunker gear helps protect firefighters from the repercussions of a fire. As part of the City specifications, the gear must meet requirements set forth in NFPA 1851: Standard on Selection, Care, and Maintenance of Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting, and NFPA 1971: Standard on Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting (2014 edition).

This recommendation complies with the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 36, Section 36.02(A)(1), "*Competitive Bids*".

**City Attorney Review:**

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency.

**Finance Department Review:**

Finance recommends approval.

**Funding Source:**

Funding is available from the following account numbers.

001-2315-526.52-18 (General Fund: Fire Operations - Bunker Gear)

001-2313-522.52-18 (General Fund: Highland Beach - Bunker Gear)

001-2317-522.52-18 (General Fund: Fire Safety - Bunker Gear)