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Self-Contained-Breathing Apparatuses Replacement Ord.  
Fire & Rescue Department  
CFO Ted Sheares (x3515)  
Draft

**Authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreements and award contracts for the purchase of Fire Department Self-Contained Breathing Apparatuses (SCBAs) and related equipment in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000.00; authorizing the expenditure of the same from the Capital Improvement Fund for said purchase contracts; waiving the competitive bidding requirements of TMC Chapter 187; and declaring an emergency.**

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

SCBAs are mission-critical safety devices requisite to all immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) operations, including most fire ground functions, rescues, and similar activities. Accordingly, said equipment adheres to strict industry maintenance schedules requiring a ready supply of repair parts that are increasingly more difficult to procure due to current complement age. This is further complicated by the fact that our current model ended production over eight years ago, essentially rendering them end-of-service life.

This Ordinance permits the replacement of all end-of-service-life units, per manufacturer recommendations, as a safety measure that ensures firefighter welfare whilst operating in IDLH environments.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into agreements and award contracts necessary to complete the above purchase. Said contracts shall contain such terms and conditions as the Mayor may deem requisite and proper and shall be subject to approval by the Department of Law and the Director of Fire.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000.00 is authorized from the Capital Improvement Fund Account Code 5040-53000-8CP2233FRSCBA for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatuses and related equipment.

SECTION 3. That this Council finds and determines it is in the best interest of the City to waive the competitive bid requirements of TMC Chapter 187 for the reason that SCBAs and related equipment must remain uniform in the interest of firefighter safety as supplied via a sole source vendor.

SECTION 4. That the Director of Finance is authorized to draw warrant or warrants against the Account Codes above in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000.00 in payment of the obligations authorized above upon presentation of the proper voucher or vouchers.

SECTION 5. That this Ordinance, being an emergency measure, shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency is that this Ordinance is necessary to facilitate Toledo Fire's

Emergency Services to the community by replacing end-of-service life SCBAs and related equipment with current models.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 11, nays 0.

Passed: November 9, 2022 as an emergency measure: yeas 11, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger  
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry  
President of Council

Approved:

November 14, 2022  
Wade Kapszukiewicz  
Mayor