

CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item H November 10, 2014

SUBJECT: Approval to dispose of obsolete Turnout Gear with the intention of providing them to the Highland Park Fire Department.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Public Safety - Fire

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Included in the annual Fire Department budget is the replacement of Turnout Gear that has reached its National Fire Protection Association recommended useful life of 10 years. The 2008 edition and the proposed 2013 edition of NFPA 1851 requires that fire departments remove any gear from service that has a manufacture date more than 10 years old. Gear subject to this requirement includes garments, hoods, gloves, boots, and helmets.

We currently have Ten (10) sets of Turnout Gear, Five (5) additional coats, and Five (5) helmets that were manufactured in 2004 and prior. Though the gear is past its recommended useful life, it is still in good shape and not damaged. The Novi Fire Department prides itself on the maintenance of our protective equipment. All of our gear is washed after each fire and checked quarterly for damage. If any damage is noted, the item is sent out for repair.

The Novi Fire Department would like to provide Ten (10) full sets of bunker gear, Five (5) additional coats, and Five (5) helmets to the Highland Park Fire Department. This Department is not in the financial position to purchase new bunker gear for all of their recruits and part time staff. This retired gear is in far better condition than what Highland Park Fire Department currently issues to their new members.

The value of a set of turnout gear at time of purchase was approx. \$1700, helmets were approximately \$250.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to dispose of obsolete Turnout Gear with the intention of providing them to the Highland Park Fire Department.

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