

Legislation Text

File #: BILL NO. 18-154, **Version:** 1

An Ordinance approving the award of Bid No. 2018-069 for the purchase of ballistic vests and associated accessories for the Lee's Summit Police Department and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract in the form of a purchase order to Ed Roehr Safety Products Co. for the purchase of the same for an amount of \$53,025.00. (F&BC 9-10-18)

Issue/Request:

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Key Issues:

The heavy ballistic vests for the police department's tactical team have exceeded the manufacturer's recommended life span of five (5) years. The ballistic vests included in the bid solicitation are separate and differ from normal body armor worn daily by uniformed police officers.

The ballistic vests for the tactical team provide extra critical ballistic protection required for specialized duties. The vests have added collar protection, ballistic sleeves and extra rifle-grade protection above and beyond normal body armor. The vests and their related accessories provide mission critical gear to ensure the operational readiness and availability of a specialized tactical team.

Proposed City Council Motion:

FIRST MOTION: I move for second reading of an Ordinance approving the award of Bid No. 2018-069 for the purchase of ballistic vests and associated accessories for the Lee's Summit Police Department and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract in the form of a purchase order to Ed Roehr Safety Products Co. for the purchase of the same for an amount of \$53,025.00.

SECOND MOTION: I move for adoption of an Ordinance approving the award of Bid No. 2018-069 for the purchase of ballistic vests and associated accessories for the Lee's Summit Police Department and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract in the form of a purchase order to Ed Roehr Safety Products Co. for the purchase of the same for an amount of \$53,025.00.

Background:

Recently law enforcement officers has faced unprecedented and targeted assaults from motivated and heavily armed assailants. Recent events where officers have been experiencing rifle fire have been noteworthy and particularly troubling. Tactical teams tasked with engaging these types of threats need protective equipment that will reasonably assist them in successful resolutions.

Impact/Analysis:

A total one hundred seventy one (171) potential suppliers were notified via Public Purchase, and the City

received three (3) bids. The purchase of new ballistic vests and their associated accessories will provide law enforcement officers with the protection needed for their specialized duties.

The cost of the ballistic vests is \$53,025. These costs were forecast several years ago and money has been set aside over the years for their purchase in the PSERP account of the Police Department.

Chief Travis Forbes

Staff recommends approval an Ordinance approving the award of Bid No. 2018-069 for the purchase of ballistic vests and associated accessories for the Lee's Summit Police Department and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract in the form of a purchase order to Ed Roehr Safety Products Co. for the purchase of the same for an amount of \$53,025.00.

Committee Recommendation: Motion by Councilmember Lopez, seconded by Councilmember Carlyle, this Ordinance was recommended for approval to the City Council - Regular Session due back on 9/20/2018. The vote was unanimous.