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Staff Report

For City Council Meeting – 11/07/2018

From Fire Chief Bill Eddy

Subject - New Business - Request for reserve funds – Replacement of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)

Synopsis: Due to age of equipment, current NFPA Standards and requirements within Gearhart Fire's Respiratory Protection Program the existing SCBA's can no longer be used beyond December of 2019. I am requesting funds from the fire department reserve account to help in the replacement. The Gearhart Fire Association has pledged funds of $30,000 to assist and may have an anonymous benefactor match funds of both the City & Fire Association.

The project includes replacement of 22 SCBA units to equip apparatus and 9 additional face pieces to equip the remaining fire personnel. A SCBA unit consists of a pack w/air cylinder, face piece and extra cylinder. Due to NFPA Standards and Gearhart Fire's Respiratory Protection Program Manual each member shall have an individual face piece. At this time Gearhart has 31 personnel trained to enter a hazardous environment.

Estimate of cost:
            22 SCBA units @ $6,800 each - $149,600
             9 Addition Face Pieces @ $300 each - $2,700
            TOTAL Estimated Cost: $152,300

Documents Attached:
None

Recommended Motion: Staff recommends a motion allocating $50,000 from the fire department reserve fund for this project. If the fire department is unable to secure matching funds from the benefactor(s), a need to resubmit for additional funds from the reserve account or investigate other options (possible lease w/option to purchase) will take place.

Legal Analysis:

Financial Analysis: The city currently has $188,186 in the fire department reserve fund. At the end of this budget year, there will be $193,400 in the account.

Options:
- Make a motion allocating $50,000 for the project
- Allocate a different amount
- Do nothing

Respectfully submitted,

Bill