



# Agenda Item

## City Council

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THRU:** Tom Kisela, City Manager

**FROM:** Sean deMetropolis, Fire Chief

### 1. SUBJECT

Authorize purchase of Personal Protective Equipment, safety equipment and supplies, and department uniforms from L.N. Curtis & Sons under Sourcewell Cooperative Agreement numbers 020124-LNC and 010424-LNC.

### 2. SUMMARY

Request to authorize a blanket purchase order with L.N. Curtis & Sons for \$125,000 to supply required Personal Protective Equipment, safety equipment and supplies, and department uniforms for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

### 3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment, safety equipment and supplies, and department uniforms from L.N. Curtis & Sons in the amount of \$125,000 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

### 4. FISCAL IMPACT

The total expenditure for this purchase is \$125,000 and will be funded upon adoption of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget through:

General Fund (100)	Cal OES Admin Fee	\$60,000
General Fund (100)	Safety Equipment and Uniforms	\$55,000
EMT Transport (125)	Safety Equipment and Uniforms	\$10,000

### 5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 1: Maintain Strong Emergency and Safety Services

### 6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

The Fire Department purchases safety gear and equipment from a select group of three vendors, Allstar Fire Equipment, L.N. Curtis & Sons, and LineGear Fire & Rescue Equipment based on each vendor's product availability, manufacturing, distribution, and expertise.

These vendors are among the leaders in the fire supply industry, and in most cases, are the only authorized distributors for the equipment that Orange City Fire has selected to use on a routine basis. Each of these vendors provide competitive pricing based on Cooperative Purchasing Agreements.

Firefighter safety gear and equipment are ordered based on operational needs and adherence to national safety standards. All equipment must meet safety and life expectancy requirements to

ensure the highest level of protection for Fire Department personnel. Uniforms are required for personnel to identify them as public safety officials and a source of assistance during emergencies, crises, or other urgent situations. To ensure compliance with departmental specifications and safety standards, direct distribution vendors are essential for Fire Department operations.

L.N. Curtis & Sons provides the current and approved specifications for firefighting gloves, flash hoods, wildland brush jackets, hose, and rope rescue equipment. They have also developed a customized online portal for the department's uniform orders, streamlining the ordering and billing processes. Through a cooperative purchasing agreement, L.N. Curtis & Sons offers a wide range of products and brands, ensuring the city benefits from the most competitive prices.

The Fire Department recommends that the City Council approve a blanket purchase order of \$125,000 with L.N. Curtis & Sons for Personal Protective Equipment, safety equipment and supplies, and department uniforms.

## **7. ATTACHMENTS**

- 2024 Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement number 020124-LNC
- 2024 Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement number 010424-LNC