



# 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 the purchase of one set of vehicle extrication tools from Municipal Emergency Services for the Fire Department as part of the department's approved equipment replacement plan for capital improvement projects, using a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement.

### 2. SUMMARY

Request to purchase one set of Genesis Rescue Tools from Municipal Emergency Services for \$82,000. This purchase is part of the Fire Department's Capital Improvement Plan and aims to enhance the department's emergency and safety services.

### 3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the purchase of one set of Genesis Rescue Tools from Municipal Emergency Services in the amount of \$82,000 utilizing the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreement, contract #020124-MES.

### 4. FISCAL IMPACT

The expense for this purchase is \$82,000 and will be funded through Fire Facility Fees (560):  
560.3021.56032.20384 Vehicle Extrication Tool Replacement

### 5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 1: Maintain Strong Emergency and Safety Services

Objective 1.5: Develop plans, policies, and procedures consistent with national standards

### 6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

In accordance with the Fire Department's capital improvement plan, the acquisition of one new set of vehicle extrication tools is scheduled for replacement this year.

The Fire Department employs vehicle extrication tools primarily to respond to traffic collisions where victims may be trapped due to significant damage. These tools are essential for rescuing individuals from various emergencies, including building collapses, machinery entanglements, and elevator incidents. By ensuring these tools are well-maintained and modern, the Fire Department enhances its operational capabilities, leading to faster response times and improved rescue outcomes. This, in turn, significantly boosts community safety and trust in emergency services.

To ensure optimal selection, the Fire Department's Research and Development Committee

thoroughly evaluated options from three leading manufacturers: Holmatro, Hurst Jaws of Life, and Genesis Rescue Tools. The decision to proceed with the purchase of Genesis Rescue Tools was based on their superior operability, reliability, and strong reputation within the industry for quality and performance.

This acquisition is critical for modernizing the Fire Department's operational capabilities, enhancing responsiveness during emergencies, and aligning with the department's strategic goals for public safety. Reliable extrication tools ensure that the Fire Department is prepared for a wide array of emergencies, decreasing the risk of secondary injuries during rescues and empowering the community with confidence in emergency preparedness.

The total cost for this purchase is \$82,000, and it will be funded through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, Contract #020124-MES, which is valid until 2028.

## **7. ATTACHMENTS**

- Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, Contract #020124-MES
- MES Quote for Genesis Rescue Tools, QT1878030, dated November 20, 2024