## CITY OF APPLETON 2026 BUDGET CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM PROJECT REQUEST

## IDENTIFICATION

Project Title: Swiftwater Personal Protective Equipment

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

## Justification:

Appleton Fire Department personnel provide water rescue services throughout the City. A firefighter needs to be protected from the various hazards of swiftwater. Those areas of concern are flotation, civilian rescue, temperature hazards, and head protection. The river is a dynamic environment that can be safely navigated with proper personal protective equipment. The ensemble identified is a standard compliment approved by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). The department has added new personnel to the Swiftwater Rescue Team that need to be personally fitted for this ensemble much like turnout gear. The city has a responsibility to provide the service and employee protection needed to safely conduct operations in the waterways.

The cost of the ensemble for one firefighter is as follows:

Dry Suit: \$750 Wet Shoes: \$75 Tactical Gloves: \$75 Mesh Duffle Bag: \$100 Personal Flotation Device: \$250 Total Ensemble: \$1,250

The department has 21 employees that are members of the swiftwater team bringing the total request to \$26,250.

Discussion of operating cost impact:

There is no ongoing operating costs associated with this swiftwater personal protective equipment.

DEPARTMENT COST SUMMARY												
DEPARTMENT PHASE	2026	2027	2028		2029		2030		Total			
  Equipment	26,250		-	-		-		- \$	26,250			
Total - Public Safety Capital Projects Fund	\$ 26,250 \$		- \$	- \$		- \$		- \$	26,250			

COST ANALYSIS													
Estimated Cash Flows													
Components	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total							
Planning	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -							
Land Acquisition	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -							
Construction	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -							
Other	26,250	-	1	-	-	\$ 26,250							
Total	\$ 26,250	-	\$ -	-	-	\$ 26,250							
Operating Cost Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -							