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APPLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT 700 N. DREW STREET APPLETON, WI 54911

MEMORANDUM

To:

Kyle Lobner, Chair - Safety & Licensing Committee

& Common Council

From: Len Vander Wyst, Fire Chief

Date:

November 28, 2017

Re:

Authorization to Purchase Heavy Rescue Equipment - Single Source

As you might recall, the Appleton Fire Department budgeted \$50,000 for a Heavy Rescue Equipment Capital Improvement Project in 2018. The fire department is requesting authorization to purchase under a single source vendor for a portion of this equipment.

The training and tools requested as a part of this CIP request will enhance rescue capabilities through the use of extrication tools. Training will be provided by staff as part of the 2018 curriculum.

The department currently has an extensive complement of Genesis extrication equipment. The intent of this purchase would be to enhance the existing equipment with new equipment that is compatible with existing equipment. What's more, the proposed Genesis equipment provides a mirrored system to our existing rescue system which will save training time and provide familiarity to emergency responders. The department has a long-standing, positive working relationship with the only authorized Genesis vendor for our area—Reliant Fire Apparatus. The department would like to proceed with a sole source order before a January 1st price increase understanding that we will not take delivery until after January 1st.

Therefore, the Appleton Fire Department is requesting authorization to purchase Genesis heavy rescue equipment from Reliant Fire Apparatus in an amount not to exceed \$37,000 as part of the 2018 CIP project. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 832-5810. Thank you!