

*Fighting Fires, Saving Lives, and Promoting Safety.*

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**City Council Motion:**

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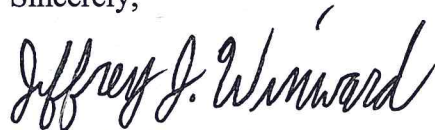
**Req. City Mgr. report on the status on funding for turnout gear for the LFD.**

In FY18, the Lowell Fire Department was allotted \$100,740 in the Operating Budget, and \$128,413 in the Capital Budget for new turnout gear. We were able to purchase:

- 86 sets of pants and coats
- 101 boots
- 81 pairs of firefighting gloves
- 6 helmets and helmet shields

In FY19, the Lowell Fire Department has been allotted \$100,000 in the operating budget for new turnout gear. We have applied for a FEMA AFG (Assistance to Firefighters) grant to purchase turnout gear, SCBAs (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus), and a new air compressor/cascade/fill station for our SCBAs. If we are awarded the grant, we will receive 90% of the purchase price from the grant, and the City will match 10% of the purchase price. If we are awarded the grant, we can purchase 129 complete sets of turnout gear. If we are not awarded the grant, we have been allotted \$67,585 in the Capital Budget for the 10% match, and we can use these funds to purchase 55 sets of pants, coats, and boots.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey J. Winward  
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