

## ORDINANCE NO. 24-042

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE TEN (10) MORNING PRIDE TAILS TURNOUT GEAR, FIRE COAT AND PANT SETS, THROUGH THE SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FROM MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC. OF SOUTHBURY, CONNECTICUT, FOR USE IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND DECLARING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.**

**WHEREAS**, the need to purchase ten (10) coat and pant sets of firefighting protective clothing has been determined by the Fire Chief of which three (3) sets will be for new hires throughout the year and seven (7) sets will be replacements and the replacement sets will be used as back-up gear for an additional five (5) years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Labor Agreement requires the City of Sandusky to provide and maintain protective clothing to be utilized by employees in the performance of their job duties; and

**WHEREAS**, Sourcewell's (formerly National Joint Powers Alliance [NJPA]) cooperative contract purchasing leverages the national purchasing power of more than 50,000 member agencies while also streamlining the required purchasing process and as a municipal national contracting agency, Sourcewell establishes and provides nationally leveraged and competitively solicited purchasing contracts under the guidance of the Uniform Municipal Contracting Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City, as a member of the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program (Member ID 68351), desires to purchase the coat and pant sets of firefighting protective clothing that have been competitively bid and made available through the membership from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. of Southbury, Connecticut; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost for the Morning Pride Fire Tails Turnout Gear, Coat and Pant Set, is \$4,179.00 for a total cost of \$41,790.00 for ten (10) sets and will be paid with EMS Funds; and

**WHEREAS**, this Ordinance should be passed as an emergency measure under suspension of the rules in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter to allow the order to be placed prior to the quote expiration date of March 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, in that it is deemed necessary in order to provide for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, and its citizens, and to provide for the efficient daily operation of the Municipal Departments, including the Fire Department, of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, the City Commission of the City of Sandusky, Ohio finds that an emergency exists regarding the aforesaid, and that it is advisable that this **Ordinance** be declared an emergency measure which will take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter upon its adoption; and NOW, THEREFORE,

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANDUSKY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized and directed to purchase ten (10) Morning Pride Tails Turnout Gear, Fire Coat and Pant sets, through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program (Contract No. 032620-MES), from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. of Southbury, Connecticut, for use in the Fire Department at an amount **not to exceed** Forty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety and 00/100 Dollars (\$41,790.00).

Section 2. If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 3. This City Commission finds and determines that all formal actions of this City Commission concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this City Commission and that all deliberations of this City Commission and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 4. That for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereto, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure which shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter after its adoption and due authentication by the President and the Clerk of the City Commission of the City of Sandusky, Ohio.



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RICHARD R. BRADY  
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION



ATTEST:

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CATHLEEN A. MYERS  
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Passed: February 26, 2024