

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Samantha Abell, City Manager
From: Robert Jones, Fire Chief
Date: December 28, 2015
Subject: Fire Department Turn-out Gear purchase Recommendation

REQUEST:

The Fire Department requests authorization from the City Council to purchase structural firefighting gear (turn-outs) for use by fire department personnel. We are asking to purchase thirty-eight (38) complete sets to fully outfit all firefighting capable personnel. This purchase would ensure that our department has the necessary equipment to meet all applicable standards for safety and protection of our personnel.

BACKGROUND:

The Fire Department last purchased structural firefighting gear in fiscal year 2005. The National Fire Protection Association mandates that structural firefighting gear be discarded after ten years of service. While we have the equipment and means to properly care for our gear and keep it in the best shape possible, general use and age eventually takes its toll. The Fire Department has just two firefighters in NFPA compliant gear at the present time. It should be noted that the Fire Department applied for an AFG grant last year to replace all structural firefighting gear within the department but unfortunately was not awarded the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Fire Department recommends that the City of Gautier purchase new structural firefighting gear in the amount of \$83,828.00 by using existing Fire Rebate Funds to make the purchase. The Fire Department is currently applying for another AFG grant with the hope of supplementing the use of the fire rebate funds if we are awarded the grant.

ATTACHMENTS:

Itemized Cost

**STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTING GEAR
ITEMIZED COST**

ORR SAFETY

Turn-Out Coat	\$822.00
Turn-Out Pant	\$570.00
Nomex Hood	\$ 33.00
Gloves	\$ 84.00
Helmet	\$283.00
Gear Bag	\$ 69.00
Estimated Shipping Cost	\$ 80.00
TOTAL	\$1941.00

ECONOMY BOOTS

Boots	\$265.00
TOTAL	\$265.00

COMPLETE SET **\$2206.00**

GRAND TOTAL **\$83828.00**
(38 sets @ \$2206.00ea)