

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TURN-OUT GEAR  
FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT  
TO EXCEED \$56,000; AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Section 9.12 of Article IX of the Charter of the City of Blue Ash, Ohio, provides the method under which the City Manager shall make purchases and enter into contracts on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, the need exists to purchase replacement turn-out gear to protect firefighters from excessive heat, sharp objects, water, and blood-borne diseases; and

WHEREAS, due to the Fire Administration's involvement with the North East Fire Collaborative, a regional organization of Fire Departments, the opportunity to purchase this gear at substantial savings is possible due to the joint purchasing power of the Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief recommends that the City Manager be authorized to purchase this gear for an amount not to exceed \$56,000 from Morning Pride Manufacturing (DBA Honeywell First Responder Products).

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Blue Ash, not less than five (5) members thereof concurring,

SECTION I.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Morning Pride Manufacturing (DBA Honeywell First Responder Products) for the purchase of turn-out gear for the Fire Department for a total amount not to exceed \$56,000. Any requirement to follow formal bidding procedures is hereby waived given that the pricing is lower through purchase via this collaborative arrangement.

SECTION II.

The Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer are hereby authorized to make the aforementioned expenditure, which funds are hereby appropriated.

SECTION III.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City of Blue Ash; the reason for the emergency being to provide for the proper equipment to assure the safety of the City's fire personnel. Therefore, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 8th day of October, 2009.

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Robert J. Buckman, Jr., Mayor

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Jamie K. Eifert, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Bryan Pacheco, Deputy Solicitor