

MOTION BUDGET & FINANCE

The Seventh Council District (CD 7) has received a request to donate 526 surplus ballistic helmets, 378 surplus ballistic vests and 1,830 surplus chemical suits to the First-In-Fire Foundation (Foundation). The Foundation connects citizens to their local fire stations and collaborates with fire departments nationally and abroad to provide assistance where there is a need.

Section 22.547 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code provides that upon Council approval, surplus City equipment may be sold for less than market value to a non-profit organization in the City of Los Angeles when the donation would benefit the residents in the City. The donation of the equipment would be provided to Ukraine for use by the Ukrainian Army and the Ukrainian Territorial Defense Forces and would aid in fostering a relationship with the Ukrainian population in Los Angeles.

The Foundation is located at 137 North Larchmont Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles. The Los Angeles Police Department reports that the equipment has exceeded the five-year warranty, is currently awaiting destruction, and has no value to the Department. Therefore, the City will not forgo any revenue with this donation, as the equipment will be destroyed if not donated.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council:

1. Find that the First-In-Fire Foundation is eligible to purchase 526 surplus ballistic helmets, 378 surplus ballistic vests and 1,830 surplus chemical suits at below market value (\$1.00) in accordance with LAAC Sec. 22.547 (Donation of Surplus Equipment), as the recipient is a non-profit organization that has been established exclusively to further the services provided by the City;
2. Request the City Attorney to expedite processing of appropriate documents to effectuate the sale and transfer; and
3. Instruct the City Clerk to inform First-In-Fire Foundation [President Lyn MacEwen Cohen, (323) 933-8164, 137 N. Larchmont Blvd. #468, Los Angeles, CA 90004] that the surplus equipment must be claimed within 90 days from the date of Council approval of the request or notification of availability of the equipment, whichever occurs later, at which time the equipment will revert to the City's surplus equipment pool for disposal by the Department of General Services.



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