



**City of Missoula, Montana**  
**Item to be Referred to City Council Committee**

**Committee:** Public Safety and Health

**Item:** Referral-Purchase Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment Turnouts for the Missoula Fire Department

**Date:** October 18, 2021

**Sponsor(s):** Gordy Hughes

**Prepared by:** Cathy Janney

**Ward(s) Affected:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 4
<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 5
<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Wards	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

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**Action Required:**

Approve and authorize the purchase of new turnouts for all members of the Missoula Fire Department from Curtis for the price of \$278,876.13 to be paid from ARPA funds as approved in this Fiscal Year's budget.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

I move the City Council: Approve and authorize the purchase of new turnouts for all members of the Missoula Fire Department from LN Curtis for the price of \$278,876.13 to be paid from ARPA funds as approved in this Fiscal Year's budget.

**Timeline:**

Referral to committee:	October 18, 2021
Committee discussion:	October 20, 2021
Council action (or sets hearing):	October 25, 2021
Public Hearing (if required):	NA
Deadline:	NA

**Background and Alternatives Explored:**

This purchase will be through the Fire Rescue GPO. As we continue to protect our firefighters the best we can, the Lavender Ribbon Report "best practices" is the gold standard we are striving for as far as preventing firefighter cancer. This purchase allows our combat firefighters to have two full sets of approved and up to date PPE. This is critical to allow our members the ability to clean and launder their PPE after an incident to ensure dangerous carcinogens and toxins are not being transferred onto the firefighter.

**Financial Implications:**

The purchase of this PPE was approved in this fiscal year's budget with ARPA being the funding source for the total price of \$278,876.13.

**Links to external websites:**