



Council Agenda Report

From: Ken Johnson, ES Chief

Subject: Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) surplus and disposal

Date: February 7, 2017

Facts

1. Emergency Services replaced all Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units in 2015 with a \$199,000 Federal grant.
2. The 29 replaced SCBA units are no longer OSHA compliant.
3. As the units cannot be used in the United States for their intended purpose, they are of very limited value.
4. The Los Cabos Fire Department in Mexico, not being under OSHA control, has expressed a strong interest in obtaining these units for their use.
5. The Firefighters Union has agreed to pay all requisite fees for equipment transport.

Options

1. Declare the 29 SCBA units and 54 high-pressure bottles as surplus and order their disposal through usual means (auction).
2. Declare the 29 SCBA units and 54 high-pressure bottles as surplus and authorize their donation to the Los Cabos Fire Department, Mexico.

Analysis and Conclusions

The replaced SCBA units no longer meet Federal safety requirements, hence their replacement in 2015. Surplus equipment usually has some residual value and can be sold to offset City costs. In this case, the units cannot be legally used for their intended purpose and therefore have only scrap value.

The Los Cabos Fire Department, Mexico does not have enough SCBAs to outfit their entire force. While the units cannot be used in the United States, they are functional and could be used by another department outside this country.

Fiscal Impact

Insignificant; no direct cost to the City.

Recommendation

Declare the SCBA units as surplus and authorize their donation to the Los Cabos, Mexico Fire Department.

Attachments

1. Resolution No. 17-xxxx
2. Photo of SCBA components to be surplussed.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
DECLARING CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY AS SURPLUS

WHEREAS, the City no longer has a need or use for 29 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units and 54 high pressure bottles due to age and obsolescence; and

WHEREAS, it is normally desirable to sell or dispose of the surplus equipment for the highest return possible; and

WHEREAS, this particular safety equipment no longer meets Federal safety requirements and is of limited value;

WHEREAS, the Los Cabos, Mexico Fire Department has an insufficient number of SCBA units for firefighter use and is not regulated by US or other agencies that would prohibit the continued use of such equipment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles that the City owned SCBAs and spare bottles are declared surplus and to be donated to the Los Cabos, Mexico Fire Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles that the Director of Administrative Services is authorized to undertake any and all actions to transfer title to the Los Cabos, Mexico Fire Department.

APPROVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles this 7th day of February 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Steven Martin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristen L. Buxkemper, Deputy City Clerk



SCBA components broken down and ready for disposal.