

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 12 - 2023

INTRODUCED BY

FEBRUARY 15, 2023

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2023 Fire Department Uniforms budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of funds received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide for the purchase of 8 complete sets of NFPA 1971 approved turnout gear for our new recruits. This ensemble will include a turnout coat, pants, helmet, one pair of boots, two pairs of gloves, two hoods, and an individual face piece which is properly fit-tested.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes an increase to the unappropriated balance of the Fire Uniforms Fund in the amount of Twenty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy-Two Dollars and Seventy-Two Cents (\$27,272.72) as follows:

FROM

Other Grants and Misc. 000-5240		\$ 27,272.72
Equipment Replacement 000-05-0803-0002-56	Uniforms	\$ 27,272.72

SECTION TWO: That this Ordinance takes effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

- That department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

The bill originated from the Allentown Fire Department. An award of new funds is being provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the purchase of (8) complete sets of NFPA 1971 approved turnout gear for our new recruits. This ensemble will include a turnout coat, pants, helmet, one pair of boots, two pairs of gloves, two hoods, and an individual face piece which is properly fit-tested.

- Summary and facts of the bill.

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- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

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- b. What are the benefits of doing this? What are the drawbacks?

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There are no drawbacks.

- c. How does this bill relate to the City's vision/mission/priorities?

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work and visit the City of Allentown. It has always been the City of Allentown's priority, as well as every elected official to provide safe and efficient Public Safety services to ensure a safe environment.

- Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

Passing this bill will result some financial cost to the City. This is a 90% grant funded expense, and our department will provide the required 10% match to supplement this project.

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

The benefit of the appropriation is to reimburse the City of Allentown Fire Department for expenses related to the purchase (8) complete sets of NFPA 1971 approved turnout gear for our new recruits. This ensemble will include a turnout coat, pants, helmet, one pair of boots, two pairs of gloves, two hoods, and an individual face piece which is properly fit-tested.

- Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers. If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.

Appropriate \$27,272.72 grant that was awarded to the Allentown Fire Department from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

- Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?

This is a normal priority project with a deadline of August 16th, 2024.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

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