



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

DATE	February 20, 2024
TITLE	Authorization to Purchase Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Equipment from All Star Fire Equipment Inc. in the Total Amount of \$218,343.24
DIVISION	Public Safety
FROM	Aileen Theile, Fire Chief Roberto Filice, AGM, Public Safety and Chief of Police
APPROVED	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment from All Star Fire Equipment Inc. at a total cost of \$218,343.24.

BACKGROUND

The Fire Department provides full service, all risk fire services to the East Bay Regional Park District's (Park District) extensive areas of responsibility. The Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) is a device that provides an outside source of breathable air in environments with oxygen deficiency, dangerous gases, and smoke.

The current inventory of SCBA equipment was purchased in 2017. At the time of acquisition, the year, services model, and operational requirements met the guidelines of the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). The units currently being utilized range from the 1981 to 2013 manufacturer standard.

The use, maintenance and systems upgrades pertaining to SCBA's are reviewed and updated periodically via the published standards and guidelines as set forth through several sections of the NFPA and mandated by Cal/OSHA and the National Institute of Occupational Safety & Health (NIOSH). The in-service SCBA's currently utilized by East Bay District Park District Firefighters are two service standard guideline requirements behind the upcoming 2024 adopted standard for hardware and or software requirements outlined by NFPA and being mandated by OSHA in 2024. The current inventory of SCBA equipment is unable to be retrofitted or upgraded to meet the 2024 standard and is required to be certified annually for use in Inherently Dangerous to Life of Health (IDLH) environments.

ANALYSIS

The Fire Department can no longer utilize the SCBA model due to they are no longer a West Coast source for maintenance and repair.

There are currently two SCBA vendors located in the Bay Area. Each vendor is a distributor for one of two different SCBA manufacturers. All Star Fire Equipment is the local distributor for 3M SCOTT,

the manufacturer of the SCBA model Air-Pak X3 Pro. The replacement manufacturer, model style, and specification being sought has previously been designated for use by neighboring city, county, and state fire agencies. Selecting this replacement specification would be compatible and interoperable with the East Bay Regional Park District's automatic aid and mutual aid cooperators.

The specification and pricing for the replacement units are being offered at a discount price in line with the current Cal Fire Contract.

FISCAL IMPACT

The purchase of SCBA equipment in the amount of \$218,343.24 will be funded by the General Fund account 101-8310-000-5113 within the Fire Department's budget. The approved Fiscal Year 2024 budget included a one-time appropriation of \$250,000 for this purchase.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 20 -
FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE TWENTY-SIX SELF CONTAINED
BREATHING APPARATUS FROM ALL STAR FIRE EQUIPMENT INC. IN THE
TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$218,343.24**

WHEREAS, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) desires to maintain a professional Fire Department that is equipped with the most appropriate equipment to provide safe and accountable service; and

WHEREAS, the current inventory of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) equipment is required to meet certain standards as set forth in compliance with National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) guidelines, as well as adhere to Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) mandates, for use by firefighters in Inherently Dangerous to Life and Health (IDLH) environments; and

WHEREAS, the current inventory of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus' (SCBA) equipment may no longer meet the requirements for use as described and may be unable to be retrofitted or upgraded and have exceeded their service life; and

WHEREAS, All Star Fire Equipment Inc. is the only local distributor that can provide maintenance and service of the selected 3M SCOTT Air-Pak X3 Pro Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment at a discounted price point with specifications that are compatible and interoperable with the Park District's automatic aid and mutual aid cooperators; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department budget had a one-time fiscal year 2024 appropriation of \$250,000 for the purchasing of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) equipment from All Star Fire Equipment Inc. at a total cost of \$218,343.24 with funds available from the Fire Department's budget, account 101-8310-000-5113 as presented to the Board on February 20, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Park District and in its name, to execute and deliver such documents and to do such acts as may be deemed necessary or appropriate to accomplish the intentions of this resolution.

Moved by Director _____, and seconded by Director _____, and adopted February 20, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: