

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: April 28, 2025

Subject: Fire-2025-04 Sale of Surplus Asset Retired SCBA Units

Report from: Steve Tiernan, Fire Chief

Attachments: None

Recommendation

Be It Resolved that Council hereby approves Report Fire-2025-04 Sale of Surplus Asset Retired SCBA Units AND;

1. That the retired SCBA units from Tara Station 70 and Chesley Station 90 be placed on Gov Deals to be sold.
2. That in the event that the retired SCBA units are not purchased on Gov Deals by any entities, the Fire Chief is authorized to donate the SCBA units to Firefighters Without Borders to be sent to a country that can utilize the SCBA units.

Background

Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units are designed to protect firefighters from toxic gases, smoke and oxygen deficiency while in duty.

As part of the Master Fire Plan, a Capital Project in 2022 purchased new MSA G1 SCBA units for Tara and Chesley fire stations. Paisley purchased the same SCBA units in 2021. Through the purchase of the SCBA's for Tara and Chesley, this now standardized the SCBA units for all three stations.

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Analysis

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Staff is recommending the old SCBA units be placed on Gov Deals to see if they can be sold. In the event the SCBA units are not purchased it is recommended the Fire Chief engage with Firefighters Without Borders to see if the SCBA units could be utilized somewhere in the world.

Firefighters Without Borders is a non-profit organization that seeks used firefighting gear and equipment to donate around the world.

Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.6 Modernizing Services

Master Fire Plan 2021

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

CityWide assets 2533 (Chesley SCBAs purchased in 2004) and 2532 (Tara SCBAs purchased in 2007) are fully amortized. Proceeds from disposal (if any) are welcome.

Approved by: Emily Dance, Chief Administrative Officer