

Resolution approving the replacement of damaged firefighter turnout gear.

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Fire Department suffered damage to thirteen (13) sets of firefighter turnout gear during an emergency response on October 6, 2017 at Badger Corrugating, 944 Green Bay Street, and

WHEREAS, the firefighter turnout gear was exposed to hazardous chemicals, and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has cleaned and decontaminated the firefighter turnout gear and there is still visual damage to said gear, and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is working with the City of La Crosse Legal Department to recoup costs on the damaged firefighter turnout gear from Badger Corrugating, and

WHEREAS, the recoup of costs may take a significant period of time and the Fire Department has an immediate need to replace the firefighter turnout gear to ensure the health and safety of its firefighters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby authorizes the replacement of damaged firefighter turnout gear in the amount of \$36,000.00 to be appropriated from the Reserve Fund, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any funds recovered from Badger Corrugating or their insured with regard to the damaged equipment be replaced in the Reserve Fund, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fire Chief and Finance Director are hereby authorized to take all steps necessary to effectuate this resolution.