

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Elizabeth Anderson, Purchasing Manager and Randy Howell, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Consider Purchase of a Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) for Fire Department

BACKGROUND:

The Fire Department is requesting to purchase a UTV to assist with transportation of sick or injured patients at special events. The 2021 Kawasaki "Mule" Pro FXT EPS is a smaller, nimbler emergency response vehicle that will be staffed by paramedics and is equipped with a stretcher, a radio, and a medical jump kit. The size and agility of the UTV will assist in reaching patients in crowded venues where accessibility for a traditional MICU can be difficult and even dangerous. This vehicle is available for purchase from Metro Golf Cars for \$15,450.05 via BuyBoard contract 611-20.

This unit would be purchased using grant funds. The main source of the grant funds is the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council.

All BuyBoard purchases have been competitively bid and thus satisfy state purchasing guidelines.

A detailed quote and a picture are attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that Council approve the purchase of the 2021 Kawasaki Mule Pro FXT EPS, using \$15,450.05 in grant funds.