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MEMORANDUM

Chief James Baisden, EFO

TO:

Mike Navarre, Mayor

THRU:

Mark Fowler, Purchasing & Contracting Director

FROM:

James Baisden – Fire Chief, Nikiski Fire Service Area

DATE:

November 4, 2014

SUBJECT: Sole Source Request – Stryker Power-Load Ambulance Systems

The Nikiski Fire Service just recently awarded a bid to Braun Northwest to build a new ambulance. In the past when NFSA purchased an ambulance, the gurney or powerload system would be specified as part of the bid. This bid process made the ambulance manufacturer responsible for purchasing these systems at a much higher price point which increased the costs to the service area.

Stryker is the only manufacturer that has been used by NFSA, and we currently have seven (7) Stryker Gurneys in service on five (5) different ambulances. NFSA can save money by purchasing the Stryker products directly from the manufacturer and having the product dropped shipped directly to the ambulance manufacturer that was awarded the bid.

Additionally, having every ambulance in the department using the same gumey and power-load systems provides a level of safety for the patient and the employee. This purchase allows the same training and maintenance of the power-load system for each ambulance.

Funding for this purchase is available in account 441.51110.15413.48310.

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