

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE,  
CALIFORNIA, DISPENSING WITH COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND  
AUTHORIZING THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE - PURCHASING TO  
PURCHASE BARIATRIC GURNEY WITH FERNO WASHINGTON**

**WHEREAS**, the Glendale Fire Department operates and maintains a fleet of 16 front line Ferno PRO 28Z ambulance cots, which has a convertible configuration into a chair, which can fit into small apartment elevators and the competitors do not have this convertible chair feature and therefore cannot fit into small elevators, causing the crews to carry patients down stairwells; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Department has been utilized Ferno Washington for ambulance gurneys for the last 23 years in its vehicle fleet; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Department wishes to purchase one Ferno IN/X Bariatric Power Cot, which is a powered gurney that would be assigned to our dedicated bariatric ambulance (BLS 921) and would respond to patients that exceed 500 pounds in weight and would replace our obsolete manual bariatric gurney. Managing very large bariatric patients is challenging, and the risk of injury to emergency responders and patients increases during this management. A powered gurney reduces the level of manual manipulation required for our responders to safely transport these patients to hospitals for definitive care; and

**WHEREAS**, there are other companies that manufacture bariatric ambulance gurneys (most prominently Stryker) and are comparable in price, but with Ferno the City would be able to maintain a seamless relationship with the existing purchase order and be able to have consistency with gurney maintenance and operations throughout our fleet and the City's Ambulance Operator Coordinator is certified as a Ferno technician, and he conducts repairs and routine maintenance on Ferno equipment and the addition of another brand of gurney would require the cost of a third-party maintenance contract;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE:**

1. That the foregoing facts are deemed to be true and correct and a basis for dispensing with competitive bidding and the Council hereby finds that it is in the best interests of the City to dispense with competitive bidding.

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2. The Deputy Director of Finance - Purchasing is hereby authorized to issue purchase orders to Ferno Washinton for purchase of ambulance gurneys in an amount not to exceed \$84,318.29 for a period of three years.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )

I, Dr. Suzie Abajian, Clerk of the City of Glendale, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ was adopted by the Council of the City of Glendale, California, at a regular meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, and that same was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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City Clerk