

## Request for Decision

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### REQUEST

That the purchase of a new self-contained breathing apparatus air (SCBA) compressor be moved up from 2029 to 2025, funded by the Panorama Fire Equipment Reserve.

### OPTIONS

1. THAT \$41,600 from the Panorama Fire Equipment Reserve be utilized to fund the purchase of a new self-contained breathing apparatus air compressor in 2025; and further, that the 2025-2029 Five Year Financial Plan be amended.
2. THAT the existing Panorama Fire self-contained breathing apparatus air compressor be repaired.

### RECOMMENDATION

Option 1

### BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The SCBA compressor at the Panorama fire hall is 20 years old, with an expected life of 25 years. The compressor failed in June and needs to be repaired or replaced. Current repair costs are estimated at \$10,000, with plans to replace the unit in 2029 at a cost of \$60,000. The cost to replace the unit now is \$41,600.

Further, the existing 5000psi SCBA compressor is undersized, as it was purchased when the department was filling 2200psi cylinders, whereas now the department fills 4500psi cylinders. The 6000psi replacement unit is the same model purchased for the Fairmont Fire Department in 2024 and the model on order for the Edgewater Fire Department in 2025.

### SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS

#### Financial – Budget

Replacing the SCBA compressor is included in Year 5 of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan at a budgeted cost of \$60,000, funded by the equipment reserve. Failure of the SCBA compressor was not anticipated in Year 1, therefore, if approved will need to be included in the next amendment of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan.

The capital purchase will be funded from the Panorama Fire Equipment Reserves, which had a balance of \$1,029,000 as of March 31, 2025.