

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARINA AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FORCIBLE ENTRY PROP FROM FORCIBLE ENTRY EQUIPMENT FOR \$80,000 AND THE PURCHASE OF THE PHENIX TL-2 HELMETS FROM ALLSTAR FIRE EQUIPMENT FOR \$30,000 UTILIZING THE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE ANNEMARIE SHEIN LIVING TRUST AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE NECESSARY ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETARY ENTRIES

WHEREAS, the Marina Fire Department has received a cash donation from the Annemarie Shein Living Trust in the amount of \$118.145 and said funds are to be used exclusively by the Fire Department, and;

WHEREAS, the Fire Department will utilize the donated funds for the purchase of equipment and/or support of program funding, and;

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has conducted an internal needs assessment and has determined that a Forcible Entry Prop and the Phenix TL-2 Helmets will support firefighter training and safety which will help the safety of the residents, businesses, and visitors of the City of Marina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Marina hereby:

1. Authorize the purchase of a Forcible entry prop for \$80,000.00 from Forcible Entry Equipment and;
2. Authorize the purchase of the Phenix TL-2 Firefighter helmets for \$30,000. From Allstar Fire Equipment and;
3. Authorize the Finance Director to make any necessary accounting and budgetary entries.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Marina at a regular meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: Burnett, Biala, Delgado

NOES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT, COUNCIL MEMBERS: Medina Dirksen, Berkley

ABSTAIN, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

March 8, 2022

Item No. **8f(2)**

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Marina City Council

City Council Meeting  
of March 15, 2022

**RECOMMENDATION TO CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2022-, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FORCIBLE ENTRY PROP FROM FORCIBLE ENTRY EQUIPMENT FOR \$80,000 AND THE PURCHASE OF THE PHENIX TL-2 HELMETS FROM ALLSTAR FIRE EQUIPMENT FOR \$30,000 UTILIZING THE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE ANNEMARIE SHEIN LIVING TRUST AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE NECESSARY ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETARY ENTRIES**

**REQUEST:**

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**BACKGROUND:**

At the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting held on December 7, 2021, the City Council approved Resolution 2021-122 which authorized the acceptance of a donation from the Annemarie Shein Living Trust. A total of \$236,290 was received with half going to the Police Department and half going to the Fire Department. The trust paperwork received did not specify how or for what purpose the funds were to be spent, only that the funds were directed to the Police and Fire Departments.

**ANALYSIS:**

The Fire Department has conducted an internal review of equipment needs focusing on equipment that would benefit both personnel and operations. We solicited input from all members and came to a consensus on the equipment that would be most beneficial. The equipment we have identified not only benefits the Firefighters but helps us improve the service we provide to the public. This equipment is a Forcible Entry Training Prop and new improved Firefighter Helmets. This equipment meets the criteria of the donation and will enhance Firefighter safety and operations.

A Forcible Entry Training Prop provides realistic forcible entry training for all skill levels. The Prop is solid and built to last inside of a 40' shipping container. Critical fire ground operations such as forcible entry are high risk and seldom used skills that need to be accomplished in a timely manner. Forcible Entry is one of those skills that are vital when searching and rescuing fire victims and invaluable for Firefighters to use when escaping potentially life and death situations.

The Forcible Entry Training Prop features a modular mounting Grid System that allows the instructor to set up for many different scenarios within the container. The different props we are looking to have built in the container include: a window prop with window bar, commercial door cutting prop, hinge prop, rebar tree, lock breaking mounts, roll up door prop and a interior wall breach prop + metal slot framing.

The Fire Department has also identified a need to replace our Helmets. We have been evaluating different Helmets and designs for over a year. After a comprehensive research effort, we have concluded that for the Marina Fire Department, the Phenix FL-2 helmet is the best helmet that we can purchase for Firefighter Safety and durability. This helmet is a leather helmet and is the lightest, strongest, and most comfortable helmet on the market. The helmet meets all NFPA and OSHA standards. As our current helmets are at end of life, we will replace the helmets for all ranks.

The Phenix leather helmet has a soft and flexible design that will stand as much or more abuse than the early leather helmets, and even more than many of today's finest modern composites. The Phenix TL-2 uses modern vegetal tanning techniques to add a degree of flexibility to the longer, rear brim so it will flex when hit by falling objects rather than snap the firefighter's neck and because the raised crossover beams are more resilient, they also provide added protection when struck from above and keeps the leather from cracking.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Forcible Entry Prop is eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000.) with delivery and taxes. The Phenix Helmets cost thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.) including delivery and taxes. The funds used to pay for these items will be the \$118,000.00 funding received from the Annemarie Shein Living Trust and not out of the General Fund for the Fire Department budget. Both the Forcible Entry Prop and the Phenix Helmets have been put out to bid and vetted for price through the cooperative purchasing process.

**CONCLUSION:**

This request is submitted for City Council consideration and possible action.

Respectfully submitted,

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Doug McCoun  
Fire Chief  
City of Marina

**REVIEWED/CONCUR:**

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Layne Long  
City Manager  
City of Marina