



City Council Proposed Budget Changes Form

Fiscal Year 2024

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Short Title: Backup compressor, fill station, SCBA washer

Please describe the request and community benefit

The Missoula Fire Department has one compressor and fill station for filling our SCBA bottles. These are critical for use by our firefighters during a fire, training, or other hazardous calls. The Fire Department's current SCBA filling station is located at station 1. It is critical to have a second location to reduce engine companies having to drive to station 1 taking them out of position, which can make response times longer. Identified by the Fire Department, Station 4 is the logical choice for a second SCBA filling/cleaning station as it serves as their primary live fire training grounds. The Fire Department recently experienced an issue with their current compressor. While it was out of service being repaired, they had no backup for filling the SCBA bottles. This hindered live fire training that was scheduled and critical to our ISO rating. They were unable to fill bottles and had to conserve what they did have left for emergency calls. The SCBA/equipment washer is critical for keeping our life safety equipment clean and free of cancer causing particulates and carcinogens. Our fire fighters take care of us, and we must fund this critical equipment to take care of them.

Compressor and fill station would cost \$120,000.

SCBA washer would cost \$30,000

Please prioritize/rank this request in relation to the total number of requests you've submitted (ex. Rank 2 of 4)

1 for Fire Department

Does your request involve increasing staffing? (How many FTEs?)

N/A

Requested budget amount

\$150,000.00

Proposed funding (check one)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Increase taxes (only available for general fund requests AND must verify if there are available mills to levy)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Increase Park District Assessments (must be Park eligible expenditure)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Increase Road District Assessments (must be Road eligible expenditure)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduce Fund Balance (to Approved Policy Level)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Re-Appropriation/Reduce appropriation elsewhere

If re-appropriation please note department budget from which to reduce appropriation

Is this proposed for one time funding or ongoing? (Please check one)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One-time
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ongoing