

EM SUBMISSION NO.: EME2662014PRESENTED: 5-5-14ADOPTED: 5-8-14**RESOLUTION TO ABILITA TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR EXPENSE AND COST
REDUCTION ANALYSIS****BY THE EMERGENCY MANAGER:**

The Information Services Division is requesting the services of Abilita to conduct a telecommunications expense and cost reduction analysis. Recently the City has experienced a significant rise in telecommunications costs due to unexpected rate increases on legacy services.

The Finance Department is requesting to enter into a professional services agreement with Abilita Telecommunications to engage their services for this analysis and audit. Funding for these services will come from professional services account #636-228.100-801.000; and

IT IS RESOLVED, that the appropriate City officials, upon the Emergency Manager's approval, are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Abilita Telecommunications for these services in an amount not to exceed \$24,500.00.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Peter M. Bade, City Attorney**APPROVED AS TO FINANCE:**
Gerald Ambrose, Finance Director**EM DISPOSITION:**ENACT ✓

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Darnell Earley, Emergency ManagerDATED: 5-8-14

RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW

DATE: May 1, 2014

Agenda Item Title:

Resolution to Abilita Telecommunications for Expense and Cost Reduction Analysis

Prepared By: V. Foster

Background/Summary of Proposed Action:

Due to unexpected rate increases in telecommunication costs, Information Services has determined that legacy lines and costs associated with each line be identified. Abilita has submitted a proposal of \$24,500 to conduct this study and make develop a cost-cutting strategy.

It is recommendation of the Information Services Division that an agreement be entered into with Abilita to conduct the analysis and audit.

Financial Implications

The City of Flint cannot sustain telecommunication rate increases and a plan must be developed to in order to contain these costs.

Budgeted Expenditure? ☒ Yes ☐ No Please explain if no:

Account No.:

636-228.100-801.000

Pre-encumbered? ☒ Yes ☐ No Requisition # 14 - 000 375

Other Implications (i.e., collective bargaining):

None

Staff Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of the Information Services Administrator to move forward in engaging the services from Abilita.

Staff Person: Paul D. Hartz **Approval:** _____