

(Bid No. 15000059)

EM SUBMISSION NO.: EME 6432014

PRESENTED: 12-5-14

ADOPTED: 12-18-14

BY THE EMERGENCY MANAGER:

RESOLUTION TO METRON-FARNIER FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WATER METERS

BY THE EMERGENCY MANAGER

RESOLUTION

The Utilities/Water Service Center has requested the immediate need to purchase 594 each residential and commercial water meters to process requests for water turn-ons and to replace non-functioning older meters; and

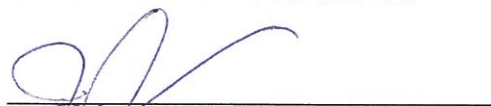
Metron-Farnier, LLC, 5661 Airport Blvd., Suite B, Boulder Colorado is the manufacturer for said meters supported by its current delivery system. Funding will come from the following account number 590-540.207-726.000 (\$110,811.00); and

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Department of Purchases and Supplies, upon the Emergency Manager's approval, is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order to Metron-Farnier, LLC for 594 each residential and commercial water meters in the amount of \$110,811.00 (Sewer Fund)

APPROVED-PURCHASING DEPT:

APPROVED AS TO FINANCE:


Derrick Jones, Purchasing Manager


Gerald Ambrose, Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Peter M. Bade, City Attorney

EM DISPOSITION:

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Darnell Earley, Emergency Manager

DATED: 12-18-14

RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW

DATE: 11-17-14

Agenda Item Title: Water Meters

Prepared By: Cheri Priest, WSC Administrative Manager

Background/Summary of Proposed Action: The City of Flint has nearly 35,000 water meters, in which approximately 30% of said meters are well past their expected life cycle and are overdue for replacement. The City is currently in the process of obtaining bids to determine the most feasible and cost effective solution for replacing meters. At this time, Metron-Farnier is the sole source that will still be able to meet all of our requirements. The current stock of residential water meters is at a critically low level with approximately 40 water meters on hand. The Water Service Center is requesting the purchase of 594 residential & commercial meters, 560 5/8" meters, 30 1" meters & 4 2" meters.

The City also faces challenges in seeking new meters that adhere to the NSF/ANSI Standard 61 (which requires no lead in meters), prevent theft of water and scrapping of meters, while maintaining compatibility of the current remote reading system. It is not feasible to change what brand/type of meter that we use every time a meter order is placed. This would cause the City to have to have separate remote reading systems for different meters. Not only would this be cost prohibitive, it would also be extremely labor intensive.

Financial Implications: Adequate funding exists in the below listed accounts

Budgeted Expenditure? Yes No Please explain if no:

Account No.: 590-540.207-726.000 \$110,811.00

Pre-encumbered? Yes No Requisition # 140001214

Other Implications (i.e., collective bargaining): None

Staff Recommendation: Recommend Approval

Staff Person: Robert Brunick
(Dept Head or other authorized staff)