



CITY OF
CORPUS CHRISTI

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting June 30, 2026

DATE: June 30, 2026

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Purchase of Aclara Meter Transmission Units for Corpus Christi Water

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing a one-year supply agreement, with two one-year options, with Aclara Technologies, LLC, of St. Louis, Missouri, in an amount up to \$3,110,850.00, with a potential up to \$9,806,954.63 if options are exercised, to purchase meter transmission units used by Corpus Christi Water, with FY 2026 funding of \$778,000.00 from the Water Fund.

SUMMARY:

This resolution authorizes a one-year supply agreement for the purchase of water meter transmission units for Corpus Christi Water. This agreement is necessary to ensure a steady supply of MTUs required to collect automatic meter reads for customer billing. This item has been reviewed by the Information Technology Department who support the agreement.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Corpus Christi has approximately 108,600 metered water connections, with new service connections added daily. In 2005, the City of Corpus Christi began implementation of the automated metering infrastructure that allows the wireless

collection of daily meter readings for Corpus Christi Water. New meter transmission units must be installed to replace those that have reached their service life, are broken or damaged, and for new service connections. It is estimated that the department will install or replace 12,000 of each item per year.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

This procurement falls under Section 252.022(a)(7)(A) of the Local Government Code; this purchase is available from only one source due to special processes or patents; Section 252.022(a)(7)(D), item is only available from one source, including captive replacement parts or components for equipment, and Section 252.022(a)(2), as this purchase is necessary to preserve or protect the public health and safety of the City’s residents.

The total amount for the meter transmission units in 2026 is \$3,110,850.00, which is 3% less than the price quoted in 2023 for the exact units.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative to awarding this supply agreement is to not enter into an agreement, which would require separate procurements on an as-needed basis. This would reduce the economies of scale pricing secured through a long-term contract, increase the time delay due to the procurement process, thereby resulting in inaccurate or non-reads on customer utility bills.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for Corpus Christi Water in FY 2026 is \$778,000.00 from the Water Fund.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund:	4010	Water
Organization/Activity:	31510	Maintenance of Water Meters
Department:	45	Water
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520150	Meter & Svc connection materials
Amount:	\$778,000.00	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the resolution authorizing a one-year supply agreement, with two one-year options, with Aclara Technologies, LLC, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution
Supply Agreement (available upon City Council request)