



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action item for the City Council Meeting of July 20, 2021

DATE: July 20, 2021

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Purchase of One Portable Trailer Mounted Generator for Utilities

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing the purchase of one portable 350 kilowatt trailer-mounted generator from ROMCO Equipment Company, LLC from Corpus Christi, Texas for the Water Utilities Department, in the amount of \$167,950.00 to be paid through Water Fund.

SUMMARY:

This is for a portable trailer-mounted generator that will be used as a backup emergency power source if the emergency generator fails at City Pump Stations or other facilities.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The trailer-mounted generator adds to the O.N. Stevens Water Treatment Plant (ONSWTP) hurricane preparedness planning as a redundant emergency power source if the emergency generators fail at Water System facilities such as the Sand Dollar Pump Station on the Island and the Staples Pump Station. In the past three years, ONSWTP experienced several events that required emergency power for the Sand Dollar Pump Station. In 2020, Hurricane Hanna knocked out power to the Island, and the Sand Dollar Pump Station emergency generator failed, which required the rental of a skid-mounted generator to provide water to the Island. Prior planning with a local vendor allowed ONSWTP staff to rent alternative emergency power during this critical time. After this storm, it was decided a trailer-mounted generator capable of powering any of the City Pump Stations was needed as a backup to the emergency generators.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

The procurement is through the BuyBoard Cooperative. Contracts awarded through the BuyBoard Cooperative have been competitively procured and follow Texas Local and State procurement requirements.

ALTERNATIVES:

The equipment can be rented. However, this will not be cost-effective for the long-term, and the equipment may not be readily available when needed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for the Water Fund will be \$167,950.00.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	4010	Water Fund
Organization/Activity:	31010	O. N. Stevens Water Treatment Plant
Mission Element:	062	Treat water
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	550020	Vehicles and Machinery

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing the purchase with ROMCO Equipment Company, LLC for the purchase of one portable 350 kilowatt trailer-mounted generator as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Price Sheet