

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of December 11, 2018 Action Item for the City Council Meeting of January 08, 2019

DATE: December 11, 2018

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Amendment to Meter Transmission Units for Gas and Water Meters Supply Agreement

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing an amendment to supply agreement No. 1053 to allow a 25% contract increase for purchase of meter transmission units (MTUs) with Aclara Technologies, LLC of St. Louis, Missouri, for a not to exceed amount of \$539,840 for revised contract total not to exceed \$2,699,200.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agenda item is to allow a 25% contract increase of \$539,840 for the remaining five months of the contract.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

In 2005, the City of Corpus Christi began implementation of the automated metering infrastructure that allows the wireless collection of daily meter readings for both water and gas utilities. As such, new meter transmission units must be installed to replace those that are broken, damaged, or at new service connections.

Under the current maintenance program, MTU's are exchanged every month. However, due to the aging system, there has been an increase in MTU failures per month. In recent months, the Gas Department has seen as many as 500 MTU's fail monthly. As the system continues

to age, this failure rate is likely to increase. Having an adequate inventory of MTU's is crucial for the delivery of reliable and accurate readings to UBO.

ALTERNATIVES:

None

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This conforms to the City's purchasing policies and procedures and State statues regulating procurement.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Not applicable

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Water Utilities Gas

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

| X Operating | □ Revenue | □ Capital | □ Not applicable |
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| Fiscal Year 2018-2019 | Current Year | Future Years | TOTALS |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Budget | \$2,948,645.92 | \$0.00 | \$2,948,645.92 |
| Encumbered / | | | |
| Expended Amount | \$1,088,110.92 | \$0.00 | \$1,088,110.92 |
| This item | \$539,840.00 | \$0.00 | \$539,840.00 |
| BALANCE | \$1,320,695.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,320,695.00 |

Fund(s): Gas and Water Fund

Comments: This increase will cost \$539,840, and is funded in FY2018-19.

RECOMMENDATION:

City staff recommends approval of the motion as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Supply Agreement Amendment