

## STAFF REPORT

DATE: 1/19/2021 **CONSENT** ITEM #:

TO: City Council

FROM: Marty Powers, Public Works Director

**AGENDA ITEM:** Water Meter Purchase

**REVIEWED BY:** Kristina Handt, City Administrator

**BACKGROUND:** Public Works staff continues to supply meters to new construction and continues to replace failing water meter. As new construction continues and old meters are being replaced, another order of meters, radio reads and supplies is needed. Ordering in bulk will take advantage of quantity discounts and save around \$4000 on an order of 416 meters, 432 radio reads and an assortment of other needed meter supplies.

Accountability of all water is mandated by the DNR. In 2019 Lake Elmo had a 51% unaccounted water rate. With the use of the new meters, correcting billing issues and working together with the other city departments we currently have reduced our water loss down below 8%. With Public Works current efforts and the use of more accurate meters we continue to drop this number. This program will continue to reduce lost revenue and water loss, minimizing the possibility of fines levied to the city.

**ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:** Based on the recommendation of Public Works, should the City Council approve the purchase of 416 water meters, 432 radio reads and meter supplies?

**PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:** If approved by City Council the new meters, radio reads and supplies will be used in new construction and to replace failing meters. New meters and radio read devices purchased will remain compatible with the city's current radio read system.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Not to exceed \$110,000. (This expense is included in the 2021 Water Utility Budget)

#### **OPTIONS:**

- Approve purchase of a meter order
- Deny purchase of meter order.
- Table for further discussion.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

"Motion to recommend the purchase water meters, radio reads and supplies to take advantage of discount pricing."

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

• Core and Main – Meter pricing



# Bid Proposal for Lake Elmo Bulk Meter/Smartpoint 2021

CITY OF LAKE ELMO Bid Date: 01/06/2021 Core & Main 1623290 Core & Main 15800 W 79th St Eden Prairie, MN 55344 Phone: 952-937-9666

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Seq#	Qty	Description	Units	Price	Ext Price
10		PRICING BASED ON ONE TIME			
20		PURCHASE, NO EXCEPTIONS.			
30		QUOTE EXPIRES 01/31/2021			
50	416	3/4S IPERL 1000G 3-TRM SCRW SM	EA	130.00	54,080.00
60	1000	3/4X1/8 THK RUBBER MTR WASHER	EA	0.10	100.00
70	432	510M S/POINT M2 WIRED SP HR&LD	EA	125.00	54,000.00
80	100	AYM 74620 3/4 METER CPLG- NL	EA	8.65	865.00
90	3000	#18 3 PLY REMOTE WIRE	FT	0.23	690.00
				Tax	0.00
Total					109,735.00

#### **Branch Terms:**

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