

**City of Fort Lauderdale**  
**City Commission Agenda Item**

**#12-1133**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Lee Feldman, City Manager

**DATE:** August 21, 2012

**TITLE** Motion to approve Flygt brand replacement pumps, parts and service for utility operations

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve proprietary purchases of Flygt brand replacement pumps, parts and service on as needed basis from Xylem Water Solutions U.S.A., Inc., the exclusive distributor of this equipment in the State of Florida's municipal market.

**Background**

In October 2011 the Commission approved proprietary purchases from ITT Water and Wastewater FL LLC on an as needed basis (Reference CAR 11-1458). ITT Water and Wastewater FL LLC has changed its name to Xylem Water Solutions U.S.A., Inc. requiring that the City Commission provide approval of proprietary purchases from the company under the new name.

The Public Works Utilities Bureau operates two water treatment facilities, one wastewater treatment facility, 204 sanitary sewer pump stations, and maintains over 1,500 miles of buried infrastructure. In addition, the Distribution and Collection and Treatment Divisions are responsible for delivering over 14 billion gallons of potable water and collecting over 13 billion gallons of wastewater from approximately 250,000 neighbors. To accomplish this feat year after year the divisions count on a variety of differing equipment.

The collective equipment is providing better than adequate service, but around the clock operation in an abrasive and corrosive atmosphere rapidly wears the equipment. When a piece of equipment is to be replaced, it's far less expensive to replace it with an exact match, thus avoiding the cost of re-engineering or reconfiguring the surrounding equipment.

While replacement parts and repairs are often needed throughout the year, individual proprietary purchases may not exceed \$25,000. However, in aggregate they may exceed \$25,000. Xylem Water Solutions U.S.A., Inc. offers the City favored customer pricing which is as good as or better than the pricing offered to other government agencies.

**Resource Impact**

Funding for this item is available in the FY 2012 budget in the Water and Sewer Fund, Regional Wastewater Fund, Stormwater Fund and the Water and Sewer General Capital Projects Fund. Expenditures are charged on as-needed basis and charged to the individual operating budgets per available funds and in accordance with established pricing.