



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#18-0919**

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

**FROM:** Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** September 25, 2018

**TITLE:** Motion to Approve Contracts for the Purchase of Water Meter Boxes –  
Various Vendors - \$504,000

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve one-year contracts, in substantially the forms attached, for the purchase of water meter boxes from Fortiline, Inc. and Core & Main LP in the total estimated amount of \$504,000; and authorize the City Manager to approve three, one-year renewal options contingent upon appropriation of funds.

**Background**

The Public Works Department is responsible for the City's maintenance of the water metering system. Part of this maintenance requires the installation and replacement of various types of meter boxes and lids that protect over 62,000 water meters throughout the City.

As lead agency for the Southeast Florida Governmental Cooperative (Co-Op), the City's Procurement Services Division released Invitation to Bid No. 12138-382 for water meter boxes and received four responses. The City requested pricing to be based on a set percentage discount off of the list price at the time of purchase. The following groups were created for the different types of meter boxes used by the various agencies in the Co-Op:

Group I ..... Concrete/polymer & fiber reinforced meter boxes  
Group II ..... Concrete meter boxes  
Group III ..... Polyethylene meter boxes  
Group IV ..... Polymer concrete meter boxes  
Group IV Special ..... Polymer concrete meter boxes and lids

Each manufacturer's list prices differ, so it was necessary for City staff to compare the actual prices after the discounts were applied. To achieve the best pricing for the City, staff designated the following vendors to the particular groups based on their discounts as follows:

- Groups I and IV (special) – Fortiline, Inc.

- Groups II and III – Core and Main LP
- Group IV (regular) – Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. and Core and Main, LP.

The City will only make purchases from Groups I, II, and III above. However, Groups IV and IV Special were created so that other members of the Co-Op can make those purchases from the designated vendors in those categories.

Purchases will be made on an as-needed basis and charged to the individual operating budget per available funds, and in accordance with established pricing.

### **Resource Impact**

There will be no fiscal impact to the City for Fiscal Year 2018. Future year expenditures are contingent upon approval of fiscal year operating and Community Investment Plan budgets.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included with the Infrastructure Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- **Goal 2:** Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- **Objective 1:** Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, road and bridge infrastructure.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Ready*.

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Solicitation  
Exhibit 2 – Bid Tabulation  
Exhibit 3 – Core & Main Contract  
Exhibit 4 – Fortiline Contract

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