



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

#21-1047

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: November 16, 2021

TITLE: Motion Approving Agreement for Purchase of Water Meter Boxes – Fortiline,
Inc.- \$502,000 (one year total) - (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a one-year agreement, in substantially the form attached, for the purchase of water meter boxes from Fortiline, Inc., in the initial term estimated contract amount of \$502,000; and authorize the City Manager to approve three (3), 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 Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid No.12583-322 and received three responses. One of the bidders, Core & Main LP, did not provide an offer, but instead submitted a no bid with a comment concerning the inability of guaranteeing pricing, availability, and timely shipment due to the current global supply chain disruption. The bid provided by Fortiline, Inc has met the requirements of the bid; and, therefore deemed the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bidder. Per Section 21-185(4)a.vii of the Procurement Ordinance, the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program does not apply to cooperative procurements.

Resource Impact

Funds for this agreement in the amount of \$502,000 are available in the FY 2022 Operating Budget in the account listed below. Future years' expenditures are contingent upon the approval and appropriation of annual budgets.

| <i>Funds available as of October 22, 2021</i> | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| ACCOUNT NUMBER | INDEX NAME (Program) | CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME | AMENDED BUDGET (Character) | AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character) | AMOUNT |
| 450-PBS704135-5401 | Pipeyard Inventory | Non-Operating Expenses/ Purchases | \$1,800,000 | \$1,655,033 | \$502,000 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT ► | | | | | \$502,000 |

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2022 Top Commission Priority*, advancing the Water Quality initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 1: Build a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, stormwater, road, and bridge infrastructure

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

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan* specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Sanitary Sewer, Water & Stormwater Element
- Goal 3: Develop and maintain an adequate water supply, treatment and distribution system, which meets the existing and projected needs of the service area in an efficient, economical, and environmentally sensitive manner.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Solicitation

Exhibit 2 – Bid Tabulation

Exhibit 3 – Agreement

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