



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve the Procurement of Water Meters - Phase II from Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. (\$68,195.00)

Attached is a resolution to authorize the procurement of Water Meters from Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc., for an amount not-to-exceed \$68,195.00. ITB#4193 was issued in October, 2011 for Procurement of Water Meters to replenish the depleted AquaMaster meter inventory. The following two bids were received for furnishing water meters;

Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. -	\$68,195.00
Etna Supply Company -	\$50,221.00 (base bid not submitted, unit prices read, unit price list incomplete)

The bid documents requested submittal of pricing for ABB AquaMaster 3 meters. There are approximately 300 ABB meters currently installed in the distribution system. The base bid product was selected to provide an improved product over what was previously installed without incurring the training costs associated with introducing a new Manufacturer's product into the system. Only one bidder submitted bids including the specified meter; Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. The apparent low bidder did not supply pricing for specified meters, nor did they submit pricing for the full range of meter sizes required. In addition, the apparent low bidder supplied pricing for meters that are not approved alternates meeting the requirement of the contract specification.

Since Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. submitted the only bid to supply the specified water meters, the contract for procurement of ABB AquaMaster 3 meters was awarded to Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. via Resolution #R-12-031. Purchases of \$68,195.00 were approved for FY12. We are returning to Council for additional approval of \$68,195.00 for FY13 purchases using the approved contract and bid pricing which is valid until December 12, 2013.

The water meters and supplies to be purchased will be used for operations and maintenance requirements such as new meter accounts, or to replace non-warranty meters.

Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the approved FY13 Public Services Area, Operation and Maintenance budgets of the Water Supply System (0042) and Sewage Disposal System (0043).

Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. received Human Rights Approval on January 3, 2012 and complies with the Living Wage Ordinance.

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Whereas, The Public Services Area needs to purchase AquaMaster 3 water meters and supplies for operations and maintenance of the water and sanitary system;

Whereas, Of the two bids received, Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc., provided the only bid for

the specified equipment;

Whereas, The contract for procurement of water meters was awarded to Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. Resolution #R-12-031 and pricing is good until December 12, 2013;

Whereas, Funds are budgeted in the FY13 approved Public Services Area, Operation and Maintenance budgets of the Water Supply System (0042) and Sewage Disposal System (0043); and

Whereas, Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. received Human Rights approval on January 3, 2012 and complies with the Living Wage Ordinance;

RESOLVED, That Council authorizes the procurement of AquaMaster 3 Water Meters from Midwest Municipal Instrumentation, Inc. for an amount not-to-exceed \$68,195.00; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take any necessary actions to implement this resolution.