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Software Update and 1-yr Maintenance and Support (\$44,721.16)

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Resolution to Approve a Sole Source Purchase Order to Gray Matter Systems for Control System Software Update and 1-yr Maintenance and Support (\$44,721.16)

Attached for your approval is a resolution which authorizes a purchase order in the amount of \$44,721.16 to Gray Matter Systems for and update of the software and 1-yr of maintenance and support for the control software used by the Water Treatment Service Unit (WTSU).

The WTSU uses this software to monitor and control processes at the Water Treatment Plant and in the water distribution system. The City's maintenance and support agreement with Gray Matter Systems lapsed three years ago resulting in an outdated software version. In addition, Gray Matter System cannot assist us when we need their support to resolve software issues. Updating the control software will also provide capabilities which would enhance staff's monitoring capabilities and increase efficiency in the programming control system. At the City's request, Gray Matter System has submitted a quotation in the amount of \$44,721.16, \$33,374.00 for updating the control software and \$11,347.16 for maintenance and support for a year subsequent to updating the control software.

Funds in the amount of \$44,721.16 are available in the approved FY09 Operations and Maintenance Budget of the Water Supply System. Gray Matter Systems received Human Rights and Living Wage Approval on December 12, 2008.

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Reviewed by: Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Area Administrator

Approved by: Roger Fraser, City Administrator

Whereas, The Water Treatment Service Unit uses Gray Matter System's software (controls software) to monitor and control processes at the Water Treatment Plant and in the water distribution system;

Whereas, The controls software has not been updated for the past three years and need to be updated to receive Gray Matter System's customer support and enhance City staff's process

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monitoring and programming capabilities;

Whereas, On-going maintenance and support agreement with Gray Matter Systems is necessary to receive periodic software updates and Gray Matter's assistance on as-need basis;

Whereas, Gray Matter Systems has provided a quotation in the amount of \$44,721.16, \$33,374.00 for updating the controls software and \$11,347.16 for maintenance and support for a year subsequent to updating controls software;

Whereas, funds are available in the approved FY 09 Operations and Maintenance Budget of the Water Supply System; and

Whereas, Gray Matter Systems received Human Rights and Living Wage Approval on December 12, 2008.RESOLVED, That City Council approve a purchase order in the amount of \$44,721.16 to Gray matter Systems for controls software update, and maintenance and support for a year;

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