



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve the Purchase of Ice Control Salt through the Michigan Delivering Extended Agreements Locally (MiDEAL) from the Morton Salt, Inc. for Early Fill Supply (\$61,150.00)  
Attached for your approval is a resolution to purchase ice control salt to control snow and ice accumulations on City streets during the upcoming winter.

Annually, the State of Michigan solicits a state-wide bid for bulk ice control salt, allowing those who participate to receive advantageous pricing. The bid seeks pricing for early fill and seasonal backup supply of ice control salt. Morton Salt, Inc, was the low bidder for early fill supply.

Early Fill: - 1000 tons at \$60.15/ton + \$1000.00\* for truck loading variances- \$61,150.00

\*Due to the difficulty of loading trucks to the exact tonnage ordered, we are seeking an additional \$1000.00 above the quantity requested to be able to pay the vendor, Morton Salt, Inc. if overloading should occur on the early fill.

As a result of the City using the MiDEAL bid, the quantities are guaranteed. Most of the road salt used in Michigan is imported from other areas such as Ontario, Cleveland or Chile.

The Public Works Unit of Public Services utilizes electronically calibrated controls, attached to all salt spreaders and brine application equipment. These controls regulate the amount of salt or brine being applied. Usage is also tracked for inventory purposes. With this type of equipment, the City is able to reduce salt waste during application. The City applied 4658 tons in the FY20 winter, 4,202 tons in the FY19 winter and 6,459 tons of salt in the FY18 winter.

In the winter of FY19, the Public Works Unit began to manufacture salt brine to be used to pre-wet salt prior to application. Brine use was expanded last winter to include anti-icing applications. Brine application equipment was used to apply a layer of salt brine to the pavement ahead of a storm reducing the likelihood of snow and ice bonding to the surface.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:** Sufficient funds for this purchase are available within the appropriate approved FY21 Public Services Area Operation and Maintenance Budgets.

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Approved by: Tom Crawford, Interim City Administrator

Whereas, The City uses ice control salt on major streets, local streets, and other public spaces during the winter months in response to snow and ice accumulation, with care given to achieving a balance between traffic safety and environmental impacts;

Whereas, Competitive bids were solicited by the state of Michigan for early fill and seasonal backup supply of bulk ice control salt. Morton Salt, Inc. submitted the lowest responsible bid for early fill

supply;

Whereas, The bid prices are firm through August 31, 2021;

Whereas, Morton Salt, Inc. is an approved vendor of the State of Michigan and complies with the City's Non-Discrimination Ordinance; and

Whereas, Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the approved operations and maintenance budgets of the Public Service Area for the proposed expenditures;

RESOLVED, That a purchase order for the supply of ice control salt for early fill be authorized to Morton Salt, Inc. in the amount of \$61,150.00 (1,000 tons @ \$60.15/ton + \$1,000.00 for truck loading variances for early fill); and

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