

**City Council
Agenda Memo**



**City Council
Meeting Date: Aug 22, 2013**

TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager

FROM: H. Wayne Lisenbee, Assistant Director of Water Utilities

SUBJECT: Oral Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of water meters from Aqua-Metric Sales Company.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The City of Abilene Water Department is requesting that by oral resolution the City Council authorize the purchase of 440 Sensus water meters of various sizes from Aqua-Metric Sales Company for \$73,550.70. Aqua-Metric is the sole source vendor for this purchase.

The Water Department will be required to submit an annual water loss audit to the Texas Water Development Board. The previous requirement was to submit such an audit once every five years. With the passage of recent legislation, the results of this audit may be required to be published to each water customer within our system.

One key metric within the water loss audit is a determination of the general accuracy of the retail water meter population. This number has been evaluated by Department staff each year. However, with the new focus and possible reporting of the audit results, Department staff desires to conduct a full, statistical sample of our meter population and have an independent, third-party conduct the meter tests.

This bulk purchase of water meters will increase our inventories and allow for the test to be conducted in a timely manner.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

This water meter inventory purchase will be funding out of the current FY2013 operating budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the purchase of 440 Sensus water meters of various sizes from Aqua-Metric Sales Company for \$73,550.70.

ATTACHMENTS

Aqua-Metric Sales Quote

Prepared by: Name: <u>H. Wayne Lisenbee</u> Title <u>Asst. Water Director</u>	Item No. <u>6.14</u>	Disposition by City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Approved Ord/Res# <input type="checkbox"/> Denied _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ City Secretary
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Aqua Metric Sales Company
6700 Guada Coma Dr.
Schertz, Texas 78154
Phone: (210) 967-6300
Fax: (210)967-6305

12-Apr-13

Quote for: City of Abilene
Attn: Dennis
Dennis.Tipler@abilenetx.com
Fax: (325) 671-8109

Quantity	Description		Price Each		Extended
350	3/4" SL iPerl Meter USG*	\$	118.40	\$	41,440.00
40	1" iPerl Meter USG*	\$	172.96	\$	6,918.40
40	1 1/2" Omni R2 Meter USG	\$	466.26	\$	18,650.40
10	2" Omni R2 Meter USG	\$	654.19	\$	6,541.90
			Total:	\$	73,550.70

*iPerl Meters quoted as 2-Wire

No charge for freight for orders over \$5,000

A 25% restocking fee will be applied to all return product

Net 30 days to pay.

Prices quoted are good for 30 days

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