



## Agenda Memo

Crest Hill, IL

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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	February 21, 2023
<b>Submitter:</b>	Jim Marino, City Administrator
<b>Department:</b>	Administration
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Participation in the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) and Authorizing the Mayor or his Designee to Approve a Contract with the Lowest Cost Electricity Provider for a Period up to 36 Months

**Summary:** In past years the city council approved a resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute an agreement for the purchase of electric utility service based on the low bid received by our consultant Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Cooperative (NIMEC). Our current contract expires in May 2023 and the new contract bid date is March 2nd.

The current ComEd commercial rate is 9.665 cents. The rate from Constellation is currently at 4.316 cents. NIMEC is again expecting a more favorable rate with Constellation than with ComEd.

Locking in a multi-year rate has the advantage of allowing the city to budget electricity expenses with more certainty and potentially avoids future market rate increases. The downside is that if rates decline, we would not be able to access the lower rate.

To accept the quoted rates from the low bidder the city council needs to approve a contract with the lowest bidder.

Adam Hoover with NIMEC will attend the council meeting to answer questions.

**Recommended Council Action:** Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Participation in the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) and Authorizing the Mayor or his Designee to Approve a Contract with the Lowest Cost Electricity Provider for a Period up to 36 Months

**Financial Impact:**

**Funding Source:** General Fund Balance

**Budgeted Amount:**

**Cost:** Unknown

**Attachments:** Resolution