



City of Eustis

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TO: Eustis City Commission

FROM: Tom Carrino, City Manager

DATE: November 7, 2024

RE: Resolution Number 24-99: Approving the Grove Street Water Main Relocation
Project Total Expenditure in Excess of \$50,000

Introduction:

Resolution Number 24-99 approves a total expense including a change order in excess of \$50,000 for the East Gottsche Avenue and North Grove Street Water Main Relocation and authorizes the City Manager to execute all related agreements. Duke Energy will reimburse the City for project costs.

Background:

Duke Energy currently has a project underway involving transmission lines throughout the City of Eustis. In preparation for this project, the City created an expenditure account to cover necessary utility relocations in connection with the new transmission pole locations. The City of Eustis has water mains that run along East Gottsche Avenue and North Grove Street, conflicting with a new transmission pole installed by Duke Energy. A section of water main along E. Gottsche Avenue and N. Grove Street needed to be relocated to accommodate Duke Energy, so RCM Utilities was contracted to handle the relocation. The job estimate provided by RCM Utilities was \$49,725 and work to relocate was scheduled to commence in October to be completed in one day. Upon starting the job, RCM Utilities was met with an unexpected valve failure resulting in the need for a line stop. Because the job was already in progress, the line stop was necessary to avoid additional complications. This change was approved by City Manager Tom Carrino prior to advising RCM Utilities to proceed with the additional work. The cost for the line stop totaled \$13,367.03, causing the job to exceed \$50,000 and resulting in the need for an after-the-fact change order.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 24-99.

Policy Implications:

None

Budget/Staff Impact:

The approved Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget has allocated funds of \$200,000 for utility relocations as shown below:

042-8600-533-65-84	Utility Conflicts – Adjustments	\$200,000
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The E. Gottsche Avenue and N. Grove Street water main relocation project was initially quoted at \$49,725. The additional work performed in the amount of \$13,367.03 falls within the amount of the approved budget for utility relocations. As this relocation work was prompted by a Duke Energy transmission line project, Duke Energy will reimburse the City for project expenses.

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Attachment(s):

Resolution Number 24-99

Available Upon Request

RCM Utilities Invoice/Quote