

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL TO
AUTHORIZE THE SOLE-SOURCE PURCHASE OF LARGE WATER METER
CHAMBER REGISERS**

WHEREAS, the City utilizes its Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system to read water meters and subsequently bill its customers based on individual water consumption. The City standardized its AMI system to Sensus metering equipment when the AMI system was installed approximately 10 years ago. Only Sensus metering equipment is compatible with the City's AMI system.; and

WHEREAS, large diameter water meters, meters sized 1.5 inches in diameter and greater, have chamber registers with batteries that have a lifespan of 10 years. Therefore, the large diameter meters that were installed during the initial AMI system installation have reached the end of their useful life and require replacement. The large diameter meter chamber registers will be provided by Ferguson Enterprises as the sole authorized Sensus Distributor for the State of North Carolina to ensure the equipment will be properly supported and warranted. The chamber registers once received will be replaced by City staff; and

WHEREAS, NCGS 143-129(e) lists the authorized exceptions to the formal bid procedures. NCGS 143-129(e)(6) allows for purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment to be purchasing using sole-source exception when: (i) performance or price competition for a product are not available; (ii) a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or (iii) standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration. The governing board of a political subdivision of the State shall approve the purchases listed in the preceding sentence prior to the award of the contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina that:

1. A soul-source purchase of large water meter chamber registers manufactured by Sensus from Ferguson Enterprises, the sole authorized dealer in the state of North Carolina, is authorized in the amount of \$519,425.07.
2. Staff is authorized to approve change orders which cumulatively do not exceed the available project budget of \$525,00.00.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina on this 12th day of April, 2023.

Attest:

Barbara G. Volk, Mayor, City of Hendersonville

Jill Murray, City Clerk

Approved as to form: _____ Angela S. Beeker, City Attorney