



## **AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS**

Project/Issue Name: 24-R-20 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing the Builds Department to Purchase Itron, Inc. Radio Endpoints for Residential and Commercial Water Meters from United Systems & Software.

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Date: May 7, 2024

### **Issue Statement**

To approve the purchase of 600 radio endpoints to improve the meter reading process.

### **Discussion and/or Analysis**

The BUILDS Department needs to order 600 ERT's (radio endpoints) for residential and commercial water meters. These radios are used by Meter Technicians for accurate meter readings in significantly less time. ERT's are automatically installed on all new water meters in the city. The ERT's are approximately \$110 each for a total amount of \$66,000. This purchase will be made using Impact Fees designated specifically for water/wastewater infrastructure improvements. We are requesting a NTE amount of \$70,000 to encapsulate any unexpected expenses with this purchase.

Because the City utilizes Itron software for radio readings, Itron is the sole provider for the ERT's needed for software compatibility. We have attached the quote, sole provider documentation, and a memorandum signed by former Asst. City Administrator, Andrew Nelson, approving the purchase.

### **Recommended Action**

Staff recommends approval.