

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM MEMO
REGULAR MEETING**

SUBJECT: An Ordinance Waiving Competitive Bidding Requirements And Authorizing The Purchase Of Honeywell Elster Gatekeepers From Wesco Distribution

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Summary: The City of Rochelle has purchased Elster meters from Wesco distribution since 2007. Our current gatekeepers were deployed in 2007 and are due for replacement. The gatekeepers are responsible for collecting the information from the electric meters and reporting back to the server. Our current gatekeepers have been discontinued with the next generation being unveiled. Due to several communication issues we've been having, as well as the push to move to the next generation of electric meters we would like to purchase 15 gatekeepers in a one for one replacement of our existing with one spare. The gatekeepers are a crucial part of the metering system. Wesco is the vendor authorized to sell Honeywell equipment in our area and that is the reason we are requesting to waive competitive bidding.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
Electric Funds	\$20,000	\$65,760

Strategic Plan Goal Application: Infrastructure Effectiveness and Improvement

Recommendation: Approve an Ordinance Waiving Competitive Bidding Requirements And Authorizing The Purchase Of Honeywell Elster Gatekeepers From Wesco Distribution