

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

SUBJECT: An Ordinance Waiving Competitive Bidding Requirements for the Purchase of Holophane Lighting Assemblies from WESCO.

Staff Contact: Blake Toliver Superintendent of Electric Operations

Summary: Staff is requesting approval to waive competitive bidding requirements for the purchase of decorative street lighting fixtures and poles. The materials will be procured through WESCO, the sole source vendor in this region for the specified Holophane lighting products that meet the City’s previously approved lighting standard.

The proposed equipment maintains consistency with existing infrastructure, ensures compatibility with current installations, and aligns with the aesthetic standards previously approved by City Council. These lights will be installed in the areas of Highland Road, Joanne Lane, Scott Avenue, and Sunset Terrace, where other improvements are already underway, making this an efficient time to complete lighting upgrades.

A quote from WESCO has been received in the amount of \$113,931.25.

Due to the proprietary nature of the specified lighting system and the lack of alternative vendors capable of providing equivalent products, competitive bidding would not yield additional viable options or cost benefits.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
Electric Funds	\$195,700	\$113,931.25

Strategic Plan Goal Application: Infrastructure Effectiveness and Improvement

Recommendation: Approve an Ordinance Waiving Competitive Bidding Requirements for the Purchase of Holophane Lighting Assemblies from WESCO.