



# AGENDA MEMO

## Business of the City Council City of Sweeny, Texas

<b>Meeting Date</b>	03.05.2024	<b>Agenda Item</b>	
<b>Approved by City Manager</b>	Yes	<b>Presenter(s)</b>	Larry Jones with Texas Rebuild
<b>Reviewed by City Attorney</b>	YES	<b>Department</b>	Utility Billing
<b>Subject</b>	Discussion and possible action to approve the Profession Services Agreement with Texas Rebuild / E3 to confirm preliminary findings of AMI meter accuracy.		
<b>Attachments</b>			
<b>Financial Information</b>	Expenditure Required:	N/A	
	Amount Budgeted:	N/A	
	Account Number:		
	Additional Appropriation Required:		
	Additional Account Number:		

### Executive Summary

Texas Rebuild/E3 has been collaborating with the utility billing department to investigate a possible malfunction in the current water metering system. Water/sewer revenue has decreased over the past three years, resulting in a loss of more than \$500,000.

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to see the preliminary findings and potential self-funding solutions proposed by Texas Rebuild.

The next step would be to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Texas Rebuild/E3 to confirm the preliminary study results. Meter testing may be required to complete a final proposal for a cost not to exceed \$10,000. The costs of meter testing and final engineering will be included in the overall project.

Texas Rebuild has been discussing turnkey solution to repurposing an existing city-owned building into a full-service animal shelter. We understand the project scope has likely changed substantially due to a successful fund raiser event, and the City is in the process of executing a legal agreement with the donor.

The focus of this item is on utility metering accuracy and request to execute an agreement for services.

### Recommended Action

Staff recommends approval of a contract with Texas Rebuild / E3 for testing existing meters for accuracy, for recommending self-funding solutions, and possibly to conduct a utility rate study.

**Suggested motion**, "I move we approve a professional services agreement with Texas Rebuild to confirm preliminary AMI meter findings."