

**Re: New Entry: From our Contact Form**

Geno Baiamonte &lt;gsbstyle@yahoo.com&gt;

Sat 8/3/2024 1:40 PM

To: Cindy Luongo Cassidy <cindy@darkskytexas.org>; Debra Hines <debra.hines@woodcreektx.gov>; Geno Baiamonte <gsbstyle@yahoo.com>  
Cc: Soll Sussman <soll@darkskytexas.org>; Caitlin Fletcher <caitlin@darkskytexas.org>; Jeff Rasco <jeff.rasco@woodcreektx.gov>; Manager <manager@woodcreektx.gov>

Hi Debra,

There are two types of SQM units available from UniHendron, our preferred vendor.

The first type is the SQM-L, it is a hand-held unit with which you manually take outdoor readings and manually enter those readings into Globe at Night and DarkSky Texas' sites. The discounted cost of this unit is about \$150 plus shipping, BUT that discount expired in June and we need to confirm the current discount.

The second type of unit is a "continuous read" unit, which you mount outside and the nightly readings are programmed automatically; you would download these readings and upload them to Globe at Night and DarkSky Texas every month or two.

First is the SQM-LU-DL, which runs off batteries. The discounted cost of this unit is about \$280 plus shipping, BUT that discount expired in June and we need to confirm the current discount.

There is also the SQM-DLHSC solar unit, which has a solar module to charge the batteries. The discounted cost of this unit is about \$400 plus shipping, BUT again we need to confirm the current discount.

Both of these "continuous read" units come complete with everything - waterproof container, drive, cables, software, etc. And we will help you configure and set-up the unit.

I personally suggest the "continuous read" SQM meters.

Here is Unihendron's contact info:

UniHendron

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Grimsby, Ontario L3M 2L9

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(905) 945-1197

[anthony@unihedron.com](mailto:anthony@unihedron.com)

Let us know how we may help further.

-Geno Baiamonte

On Friday, August 2, 2024, 11:10:28 AM CDT, Debra Hines <debra.hines@woodcreektx.gov> wrote:

Excellent thank you, do you by chance remember what was being recommended for Woodcreek before and have some basic cost expectations?

I will need to present this to Council again now since the cost factor has potentially changed.

Thanks,

Debra Hines

Mayor Pro Tem  
City of Woodcreek  
To make an appointment call or text: 512-461-4363  
Debra.Hines@woodcreektx.gov



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**From:** Cindy Luongo Cassidy <cindy@darkskytexas.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 2, 2024 10:53 AM  
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**Cc:** Soll Sussman <soll@darkskytexas.org>; Caitlin Fletcher <caitlin@darkskytexas.org>  
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Hi Debra,

Thanks for getting in touch with us. I'm connecting Geno Baiamonte in on this too. He can help you all determine exactly which SQM package you want.

The discount we had has expired but I'm sure we can arrange another one. It looks like we'll be helping the LBJ Nat Historical Park set up a new discount too. If you both get the same package we'll be able to use the same discount on both but, if not, I'm sure we can get a discount for whichever package you want. The discount comes from us agreeing to share the SQM readings with Globe at Night as well as add them to our database.

Cindy

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On Aug 2, 2024, at 8:09 AM, Debra Hines <debra.hines@woodcreektx.gov> wrote:

Thank you so much Soll!

Cindy, give me a call when you can.

Best,

Debra Hines

Mayor Pro Tem  
City of Woodcreek  
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**From:** Soll Sussman <[soll@darkskytxas.org](mailto:soll@darkskytxas.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 1:14 PM  
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That is wonderful news.

I'm copying Cindy in to this Email.

Let me know if you need any other assistance.

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On Thu, Aug 1, 2024 at 10:54 AM IDA Texas <[clc.tnsf@gmail.com](mailto:clc.tnsf@gmail.com)> wrote:

**Name**

Debra Hines

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**Comment or Message**

Looking for information on how to contact Cindy Luongo Cassidy about a Dark Sky Meter. We would like to get one installed in the City of Woodcreek, and a volunteer, Justin Camp has offered to assist. Our City Manager intended to order the meter, but neglected to do so before resigning. So, I am in need of that information on how to order and would like to start this process over again.

Thank you,

Debra Hines  
Mayor Pro Tem  
City of Woodcreek  
512-461-4363

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