



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Water Accountability, LLC in the amount of \$199,800 for construction management services for the water meter replacement and fixed network automated meter reading system.

- Replacement and automation of water meters has been identified in the Public Works' capital improvement program.
- This project will include replacement of 20,000 water meters associated with the County's twelve retail water/sewer systems and a new automated, fixed network meter system, which will allow the water meter data to be transmitted via a network of antennas to the Public Works' billing division.
- Several benefits will be realized as a result of these new meters, including: more accurate and timely readings, leak detection, and enhanced reporting capabilities for customers.
- Services are required from a professional engineering firm and the County performed a Quality Based Selection process and determined that Water Accountability, LLC was the most qualified firm to provide construction management services for this project.
- Water Accountability will monitor progress of the installation, serve as a point of contact for residents, and provide other services during the estimated two years of this project.
- This resolution authorizes execution of an agreement for professional services with Water Accountability, LLC of Sussex, WI in the amount of \$199,800.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County of Lake (County) owns, operates and maintains twelve (12) water systems, at various locations within Lake County; and

WHEREAS, within the twelve water systems, the County maintains and reads manual water meters for approximately 20,000 retail water and sewer customers for purposes of billing and collecting water and sewer user fees; and

WHEREAS, the County's long-term infrastructure improvements program requires replacement and automation of the County's meter reading system; and

WHEREAS, due to the specialized nature of this project, the County requires construction management related services from an engineering firm qualified in this type of engineering; and

WHEREAS, Water Accountability, LLC is qualified to provide the specialized construction management related services for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department solicited and received statement of qualifications from professional engineering firms in accordance with the Quality Based Selection process; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department evaluated the statement of qualifications based on several criteria and determined that Water Accountability was the most qualified firm to provide professional

engineering services for this project; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been negotiated with Water Accountability, LLC to provide the necessary engineering services; and

WHEREAS, execution of an Agreement for Professional Services must be authorized by resolution of this County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Agreement for Professional Services with Water Accountability, LLC, Sussex, WI, in the amount of \$199,800.00 for construction management services associated with the Water Meter Replacement and Fixed Network Automated Meter Reading System and charging the costs thereof to various account numbers.

DATED at WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on this 9th day of April, A.D., 2013.