

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-03**

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF WATER METERS AND APPURTENANCES**

**WHEREAS**, the City utilizes a single brand of water meters throughout the City to keep costs low and efficiencies high; and

**WHEREAS**, the DPW is continually replacing and upgrading old meters to maintain accuracy; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2017-2018 budget has approved \$54,000.00 for the purchase of meters wire, remote readers, meter transceivers as well as other related equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, DPW staff has received quotes in the amount of \$17,450.00 from ETNA Supply for material and equipment to meet the anticipated needs of the upcoming months; and

**WHEREAS**, ETNA Supply is the sole vendor for the lower peninsula of Michigan authorized to sell this brand of equipment in our region of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-186 of the City Ordinances allows for the waiver of sealed bids for purchases over the amount of \$5,000 and the required three quotes for purchases over \$2,500.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the city council authorizes the purchase of the meters and appurtenances from ETNA Supply in the amount of \$17,450.00 and agrees to waive the sealed bid process because the equipment is available only through a single vendor. There are no competitive quotes available.