

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE FROM AQUA-METRIC SALES COMPANY, FOR THE PURCHASE OF WATER METER READING EQUIPMENT USED BY THE CITY'S WATER DIVISION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000 PER YEAR FOR THREE (3) CALENDAR YEARS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 (FUNDED FROM THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND)

WHEREAS, competitive bidding requirements for equipment, supplies, and nonprofessional services estimated to be more than \$100,000 are set forth in Article 4 of Chapter 5 (Purchasing Procedures) of Title 3 (Finance) of the Watsonville Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Sensus USA is the sole-source proprietary manufacture to the City's Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) water meter reading system; and

WHEREAS, Aqua-Metric Sales Company was selected as Sensus distributor in Northern California to provide water meter reading equipment and services; and

WHEREAS, this purchase of equipment is exempt from the City's formal written competitive bidding requirements for purchases exceeding \$100,000 under Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Municipal Code. The specific exemption is subdivision (c) of Section 3-5.110 "equipment, supplies or nonprofessional services are unique, available only from one (1) source, or sought to match existing equipment or supplies already in use (also known as a sole source purchase)" and

WHEREAS, this purchase is also exempt from the City's formal written competitive bidding requirements for purchases exceeding \$100,000 under Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Municipal Code under subdivision (d) "Equipment, supplies or nonprofessional services have been uniformly adopted or otherwise standardized in the

City. In this case, evidence for the standardization shall be documented and maintained as a public record and approved by the Purchasing Officer before the purchase and then at least once every five (5) years”; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends approval for the purchase of water meter reading equipment from Aqua-Metric Sales Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. This purchase is exempt from the purchasing procedures of Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Watsonville Municipal Code as a sole source purchase under subdivisions (c) and (d) of § 3-5.210.

2. That the City Council hereby approves the purchase order with Aqua-Metric Sales Company, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 each year for three (3) calendar years beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023 for the purchase of water meter reading equipment.
