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REGULAR CALENDAR

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TO THE COUNCIL:

The City of Portland has approximately 14,200 fire hydrants within the city limits and makes every effort to have a hydrant within 500 feet of every structure. Fire hydrants provide for fire protection, water quality maintenance via flushing, and can serve as a potable water source in emergencies as well as temporary sources of water when needed during system maintenance. There are many obsolete hydrants in the system, some of which were installed as early as 1895. A variety of hydrant styles can be found throughout the system; many of the older styles cannot be repaired due to the unavailability of new or replacement parts.

Additionally, there are approximately 45,000 distribution valves within the City's water system. These valves allow sections of the system to be isolated for maintenance purposes and help limit water system disruptions to customers when maintenance is occurring. Many of the distribution valves are of varying ages and sizes. Some of the valves were installed in the early 1900's. As part of the City's on-going maintenance program, many of these valves and hydrants required replacement.

Over the past two years, the Water Bureau's Hydrant Installation and Replacement Program has seen an increase in the work rate on hydrants and valves which has caused the volume of purchases for these items to increase exponentially. The Water Bureau's long-range plan for this Program anticipates expenditures of over \$900,000 per year for hydrant and valve maintenance by continuing its pace of system maintenance including installation and replacement of approximately 300 hydrants and 675 valves each year during the contract term.

On June 10, 2015, City Council passed Ordinance No. 187175 authorizing a competitive solicitation for the purchase of hydrants and valves. On July 31, 2015, the Chief Procurement Officer advertised ITB No. 00000086 and two (2) bids were received and opened on August 25, 2015. The low bid from Mueller Co. LLC was deemed responsive to the requirements of the solicitation. The City issued a Notice of Intent to Award a price agreement to Mueller Co. LLC on August 28, 2015. No protests were received.

Mueller Co. LLC has a current City of Portland business license tax account, is in compliance with the City's Equal Benefits Program, and their EEO Certification is current. The Bureau's level of confidence in the cost estimates for this project is moderate and there is good historical information regarding purchases made for these types of items by the Bureau.

Awarding a price agreement to Mueller Co. LLC will allow the Water Bureau to continue its planned hydrant installation and replacement program. It is requested that City Council authorize a price agreement with Mueller Co. LLC for a not to exceed amount of \$5,220,000 for five years.

Recommended by: Christine Moody/S. Gilan

Chief Procurement Officer

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Agenda No. **REPORT** Title

Authorize a five year price agreement for purchase of hydrants and valves from Mueller Co. LLC for an amount not to exceed \$5,220,000. (Procurement Report – Project,#00000086)



AGENDA	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
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