

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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Tim Nyander

12/27/2018

WATER SEWER (720)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

Staff recommends a resolution approving the purchase of utility locating services for 2019 from Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000.00.

Budget Impact:

5400.720.4310-5216.00/5400.720.4410-
5216.00/5400.720.5620-5216.00

Water and Sewer

Account Number

Fund

N/A

N/A

Project Number

Project Title

Budgeted Item? Yes

Current Budget \$ 253,757.56

Funds Obligated \$ -

Current Balance **\$ 253,757.56**

Does item have a cost? Yes

Item Cost \$ 30,000.00

Budget Adjustment Attached? No

Budget Adjustment \$ -

Remaining Budget **\$ 223,757.56**

V20180321

Purchase Order Number: _____

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # _____

Change Order Number: _____

Approval Date: _____

Original Contract Number: _____

Comments:



MEETING OF JANUARY 15, 2019

TO: Mayor and City Council
THRU: Don Marr, Chief of Staff
FROM: Tim Nyander, Utilities Director
DATE: December 27, 2018
SUBJECT: **Resolution Approving the Purchase of Utility Locating Services for 2019 from Arkansas One-Call System, Inc.**

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a resolution approving the purchase of utility locating services for 2019 from Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000.00.

BACKGROUND:

Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. provides utility locating services for the Water & Sewer Department to make sure that City of Fayetteville employees don't damage other utilities in the course of installing lines and taps and performing repairs on the water and sewer system. Ark. Code Ann. 14-271-107 requires the City of Fayetteville to be a part of the One Call Center as owners of an underground utility system. In the past, locating services from Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. have cost under \$25,000 annually.

DISCUSSION:

Due to an increased number of locating requests in recent years, the cost for locates in 2019 is expected to be just under \$30,000.00. Therefore, city council approval is recommended for utility locates in 2019 with Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000.00.

Payments to ArkUPS/Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. are exempt from competitive bidding by Ark. Code Ann. 19-11-203(14)(W): Utility services or equipment that is defined, recognized, and regulated by the Arkansas Public Services Commission as a monopoly offering.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

Budgeted funds are available in the Construction Materials accounts within the Water & Sewer Fund.

Attachments:

Arkansas One-Call Member Fees

Arkansas One-Call

Member Fees 2018

Members of the Arkansas One-Call Center pay fees to finance the cost of providing the statewide system to process notices from excavators of their intention to dig, drill or blast and to promote digging safely. The fees fall into two categories — basic monthly fees and call fees.

Member Types

Arkansas One-Call members fall into one of three categories:

Public Authority Membership	A Public Authority Member is limited to owners or operators of utility systems which are governmental entities or otherwise political subdivisions of the State of Arkansas or the United States, such as municipalities, counties, improvement districts, rural water associations, and similar bodies and organizations.
Premium Membership	A Premium Member includes any member whose facilities are primarily engaged in interstate transmission or whose facilities are not connected directly to end users other than themselves.
Regular Membership	All other owners and operators of underground facilities.

Member Categories

Members fall into one of 12 categories based on the total number of notices during the previous year:

Category	Minimum Notices	Maximum Notices	Annual Notices Included
A	0	150	150
B	151	360	240
C	361	750	0
D	751	1,500	0
E	1,501	3,000	0
F	3,001	6,000	0
G	6,001	15,000	0
H	15,001	30,000	0
I	30,001	75,000	0
J	75,001	150,000	0
K	150,001	300,000	0
L	300,001	500,000	0

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Basic Fees

The Basic Fee covers the cost of servicing the member with record-keeping, information, mailings, screening of locates not in a member's territory, and the statewide education and damage prevention program. It also covers the cost of the notices included in the basic fee.

Monthly Basic Fees			
Category	Regular Members	Public Authority	Premium Member
A	19.50	11.40	29.28
B	34.80	24.36	52.20
C	46.50	32.58	69.78
D	69.00	48.30	103.50
E	114.00	79.80	171.00
F	204.00	142.80	306.00
G	474.00	331.80	711.00
H	924.00	646.80	1,386.00
I	2,274.00	1,591.80	3,411.00
J	4,524.00	3,166.80	6,786.00
K	9,024.00	6,316.80	13,536.00
L	15,024.00	10,516.80	22,536.00

Call Fees

Call fees cover the cost of receiving the locate requests in the center, processing to determine which members need to be notified, and transmitting the notices to the appropriate members. Call fees are billed on a monthly basis after the free notices included in the basic fees have been used:

Type Notice	Cost Per Ticket
Data Transmission (modem/internet/FTP)	.95
Facsimile	1.40
Voice	3.00

Billing — Members are invoiced for both basic fees and call fees (should they exceed the number of “free” notices included) on a monthly basis. Invoices are due and payable within 20 days of the date of invoice. A late charge of 3% is assessed if the invoice is not paid within 30 days.

Effective Date: 01/01/2009

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