

CITY COUNCIL MEMO

2023-1205

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 7, 2023

TO: Mayor Jordan and City Council

THRU: Susan Norton, Chief of Staff

FROM: Tim Nyander, Utilities Director

DATE:

SUBJECT: Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. - Utility Locating Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the purchase of utility locating services from Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 for all City departments in 2023.

BACKGROUND:

Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. provides utility locating services for the City of Fayetteville to make sure that our 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.

DISCUSSION:

For the Water & Sewer Department, locating services from Arkansas One-Call System, Inc. have usually cost under \$35,000.00 annually. However, other City departments utilize Arkansas One-Call. With those other departments, the combined amount will exceed \$35,000 for utility locating services in 2023, requiring City Council approval. It is estimated that the total Arkansas One-Call expenses for 2023 will not exceed \$45,000.00 for all City departments.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

Funds are available for the utility locating services within the Water & Sewer fund and the Street fund.

ATTACHMENTS: SRF (#3), 2023 Membership Fees (#4)