

ORDINANCE NO. 21-007

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS TO CORE & MAIN, LP, OF ASHLAND, OHIO, FOR THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS AND PARTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS TO WATER SERVICE INFRASTRUCTURE IN CALENDAR YEAR 2021; AND DECLARING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the City replaced all water meters in 1990 with new Sensus water meters and in 2010, Staff investigated various replacement options through several water meter companies and based upon the evaluations of equipment, software and hardware in relation to compatibility with current operations, recommended to continue using Sensus water meters, including software and hardware; and

WHEREAS, it was recommended by Sensus Metering Systems that the City purchase Sensus meters from the local distributor, who at the time was HD Supply Waterworks, as they had Sensus trained specialists with a smaller territory than the factory representatives and was located in Ashland, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the City purchases a variety of steel products for water line repairs such as valves, pipes, bends, meters, and hydrants from Core & Main, LP (formerly HD Supply Waterworks) who is the current local distributor for Sensus water meters that outfits the City's entire system; and

WHEREAS, Core & Main, LP, has exceptional customer service and stocks many of the City's common items, acting as a supplemental warehouse, so spare materials do not need to be stored at the Water Distribution facility; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Staff developed a plan to systematically replace all the meters in the City over a period of time and selected Cedar Point Drive (the Chaussee), Cedar Point, the Cedar Point dormitories, LEWCO, Inc., and a portion of properties within the First through Fifth Streets District; in 2019 selected the Cove District and another portion of properties within the First through Fifth Streets District; and in 2020 selected an area with boundaries of the eastside of Sycamore Line and McKinley Street, including all properties north of Cleveland Road West between Cedar Point Drive, extending to the eastern corporate limit on Cleveland Road West and the southside of portions of Cleveland Road West and McKinley Street to the northside of the railroad; and

WHEREAS, this year Staff selected two (2) routes with the first route consisting of an area south of the railroad tracks, starting on Columbus Avenue to Perkins Avenue and moving West to Hayes Avenue and the second route consisting of an area south of the railroad tracks, stating on Hayes Avenue and moving West to Wilson Street and the total cost to completely replace these routes totaling 1,025 meters is approximately \$600,000; and

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WHEREAS, the total estimated cost for materials and parts for water main repairs in 2021 is \$785,000.00 of which \$485,000.00 will be paid with Water Funds and \$300,000.00 will be paid with Sewer Funds; and

WHEREAS, the allocation for 2021 is based on historic annual repairs in the field and funds will be allocated as follows: hydrants and valves (\$92,500.00), miscellaneous materials (\$92,500.00), and meters (\$600,000.00 - split evenly with sewer maintenance); and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance should be passed as an emergency measure under suspension of the rules in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter to allow City crews to purchase materials and parts as needed for repairs and replacement throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, in that it is deemed necessary in order to provide for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, and its citizens, and to provide for the efficient daily operation of the Municipal Departments, including the Department of Public Works, of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, the City Commission of the City of Sandusky, Ohio finds that an emergency exists regarding the aforesaid, and that it is advisable that this **Ordinance** be declared an emergency measure which will take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter upon its adoption; and NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANDUSKY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Manager and/or Finance Director is authorized and directed to expend funds for materials and parts to be used for improvements and repairs to water service infrastructure in CY 2021 at an amount **not to exceed** Seven Hundred Eighty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$785,000.00) to be paid to Core & Main, LP, of Ashland, Ohio.

Section 2. If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 3. This Commission finds and determines that all formal actions of this City Commission concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this City Commission and that all deliberations of this City Commission and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

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Section 4. That for reasons set forth in the preamble hereto, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure which shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter upon its passage, and its due authentication by the President, and the Clerk of the City Commission of the City of Sandusky, Ohio.



RICHARD R. BRADY
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION



ATTEST:

MCKENZIE E. SPRIGGS
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Passed: January 25, 2021