

## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: November 4, 2022

To: Frank Comeriato, Assistant City Manager – Operations

Cc: Kevin Powell, Assistant Public Works Director

From: Krista Roch, Office Manager

Re: "Exhibit A" 2023 – Utility Materials/Supplies Purchases and Services for

Hudson Public Power and Velocity Broadband

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## 2023 – Utility Materials / Supplies Purchases and Services For Hudson Public Power and Velocity Broadband

Detail of products / services / contracts exceeding \$25,000 annually

Material Type	<u>Budget</u>	Budget Area
Customer equipment and upgrades	\$70,000*	Velocity Broadband
City communications network, fiber optic, SCADA, substations components	\$75,000	Hudson Public Power
Streetlight LED conversions	\$75,000	Hudson Public Power
Inventory – poles, transformers, wiring, switch cabinets, meters, conduit, etc.	\$300,000	Hudson Public Power

<sup>\*</sup> Monies available between both VBB Capital and Enterprise Funds.

<u>Materials Note:</u> The price of the materials used in the manufacturing of wiring, transformers, poles and fiberglass, which also includes the materials needed for the above projects, is greatly affected by the volatility of market prices on petroleum and precious metals (copper and aluminum). Consequently, vendors will only hold their prices firm for seven (7) days, at the most. When items are needed, management compares prices from a number of vendors and orders materials from the lowest priced vendor prior, to entering into purchase arrangements. These items are purchased on an "as-needed basis" for various scheduled replacement projects. Due to the nature of the space at our storage facilities, large amounts of inventory are not kept on site. Over a year's time, the amount sent to any given vendor may exceed \$25,000. The Finance Department requests we inform Council of this situation and receive permission to purchase.