



Council Agenda Item _____

MEETING DATE:

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION #25-0003R, RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO HAWKINS INC FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS IN YEAR 2026 FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$489,330.

SUBMITTED BY: Patrick Johnson, Water Plant Supervisor, Public Works & Utilities

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: The council approved purchase of these chemicals from Hawkins for some previous years including 2025.

BACKGROUND: This resolution will authorize the annual purchase and delivery of chemicals from Hawkins, Inc. for a total of \$489,330, used for water treatment at the Lakewood Water Treatment Plant, located at 8130 Congdon Boulevard in Duluth. The estimated amounts are based on past need and will vary depending on raw water quality and volume of water treated.

An estimated 64 tons of Liquid Chlorine, for disinfection, at \$2,289.00/ton totaling \$146,496, paid from 510-500-1955-5216-02 (Water Fund, Public Works and Utilities, Water Treatment and Pumping, Chemicals, Liquid Chlorine).

An estimated 174,000 lbs of Wet Hydrofluorosilicic Acid, for fluoridation, at \$0.5960/lb totaling \$103,704, paid from 510-500-1955-5216-03 (Water Fund, Public Works and Utilities, Water Treatment and Pumping, Chemicals, Wet Hydrofluosilicic Acid).

An estimated 90,000 gallons of Liquid Caustic Soda, for corrosion control, at \$2.6570/gallon totaling \$239,130, paid from 510-500-1955-5216-05 (Water Fund, Public Works and Utilities, Water Treatment and Pumping, Chemicals, Liquid Caustic Soda).

The purchasing division posted a request for bids November 25, 2025 for six chemicals, Hawkins was the low bidder for three of them.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: These purchases are budgeted and paid from 510-500-1955-5216 (Water Fund, Public Works and Utilities, Water Treatment and Pumping, Chemicals).

OPTIONS: Approve

NECESSARY ACTION: Approve award of contract

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit A – Cover Memo
Exhibit B – Bid Summary