



## Legislation Text

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**ITEM: AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT TO FERGUSON ENTERPRISES, LLC FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF HYDRANT ACTIVATOR CAPS**

**REQUEST:** Authorization to award a sole source contract to Ferguson Enterprises, LLC for the supply and delivery of hydrant activator caps in the amount of \$250,000.00.

**EXPLANATION:** The Utilities department is seeking authorization to purchase American Flow Control parts, tools, and accessories from Ferguson Enterprises, LLC. Ferguson Enterprises, LLC is the sole source for products manufactured by American Flow Control in the State of Florida.

The purpose of the hydrant captivator caps is to prevent tampering with the public water distribution system, reduce water theft, and reduce the risk of system contamination through illegal tampering. It is a unique design that fits every hydrant from every manufacturer, regardless of year and model. To date 1,967 caps have been installed. The Utility owns and maintains 2,328 fire hydrants system wide.

Palm Beach County Fire Rescue vehicles have been equipped with special tools, which are required to access the fire hydrant once the caps have been put in place. These tools all have unique serial numbers and are only sold to municipalities or governmental agencies.

Staff recommends awarding a sole source contract to Ferguson Enterprises, LLC for the supply and delivery of hydrant activator caps in the amount of \$250,000.00.

Prior Year Expenditures: \$261,266.00.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:** NO

**PUBLIC HEARING:** NO

**QUASI-JUDICIAL:**

**FIRST READING:**

**SECOND READING:**

**LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:** YES

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funds have been budgeted in the FY 2022 Repairs and Maintenance Utility budget.

**WELLINGTON FUNDAMENTAL:** Protecting our Investment

**RECOMMENDATION:** Authorization to award a sole source contract to Ferguson Enterprises, LLC for the supply and delivery of hydrant activator caps in the amount of \$250,000.00.