

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER REQUEST FOR SOLICITATION OF
BIDS FOR THE 2027 SUPPLY OF WATER TREATMENT AND WATER RESOURCE
RECOVERY FACILITY TREATMENT CHEMICALS**

WHEREAS, the City of Mankato owns and operates a Water Treatment Plant and Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) that require a reliable supply of treatment chemicals to maintain safe, effective, and regulatory-compliant operations; and

WHEREAS, City staff have identified the need to procure treatment chemicals for the period of **January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027**, through a competitive bidding process; and

WHEREAS, the Water Treatment Plant requires Quick Lime for the water softening process to remove calcium, magnesium, iron, and total organic carbon from the City's drinking water supply, as required to comply with the Surface Water Treatment Rule administered by the Minnesota Department of Health; and

WHEREAS, the Water Resource Recovery Facility utilizes Ferric Chloride for phosphorus removal and Sodium Hypochlorite for chlorination to meet National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit limits for fecal coliform bacteria; and

WHEREAS, securing an annual supply of these treatment chemicals through competitive bidding promotes fiscal responsibility while ensuring uninterrupted treatment operations and continued compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MANKATO, MINNESOTA: That the City Manager is hereby authorized to advertise for and solicit competitive bids for the 2027 supply of the following treatment chemicals for the period of **January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027**:

- Quick Lime
- Ferric Chloride
- Sodium Hypochlorite

Adopted by the Council on this 24th day of August 2026.

Najwa Massad, Mayor

Renae Kopischke, City Clerk