



PROCUREMENT DIVISION**NOTICE OF RECOMMENDED AWARD**

Date: December 18, 2025

Bid Number: 26-018

Bid Title: Master Meter Cloud Read Water Meters, Network Equip & Access

Recommended Award to: Empire Pipe & Supply Company

Based on: Overall low bid for all items

Procurement Analyst: Mike Baselice

Any actual bidder who is allegedly aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or pending award of a contract or bid may protest to the Procurement Director, in accordance with the Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual. The procedures can be found at the following link: <https://www.polk-county.net/business/procurement/protest-procedures/>. Any person who wishes to file a protest on the bid award may do so by submitting a protest bond in the amount of \$1,000.00 with their initial protest. Failure to follow the bid protest procedure requirements with the time frames prescribed herein as established by Polk County, Florida, shall constitute a waiver of your protest and any resulting claims. Deadline for filing protest: **December 23, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.** If no protests are received, the Procurement Director will award the project. The recap can be found at the following link: <https://www.polk-county.net/business/procurement/>.

To receive a copy of the **“Bid 25-018, Bid Analysis”** please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder **“Bid 25-018, Bid Analysis”**, select “Open” or “Save As” to download the bid documents. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Mike Baselice at mikebaselice@polkfl.gov.