

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL WAIVING BID PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF POWER PRESS AND HEAD ASSEMBLIES FROM DMC POWER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$125,000

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WHEREAS, Lodi Electric Utility (LEU) utilizes a range of bus and conductor sizes that supply power throughout the utility's infrastructure and the City; and

WHEREAS, historically, these connections have been bolt-on equipment and welded joints, of which the bolt-on connections are susceptible to loosening over time resulting in hot spots - areas where component temperatures are abnormally high due to loose connections; and

WHEREAS, welded joints for these specialized applications are no longer a common process; and to enhance reliability and improve fitting-to-fitting performance, LEU has transitioned to press-on connections in several applications; and

WHEREAS, all inventoried items for this type of work – both currently stocked and planned for future procurement – are sourced from DMC Power, a manufacturer specializing in press-on connectors and hardware; and

WHEREAS, LEU has previously borrowed the required press tools, head assemblies, and dies for various bus and conductor sizes; however, availability can be limited when other utilities have the equipment checked out, creating delays for both planned and unplanned work; and

WHEREAS, to mitigate this risk, LEU is requesting to purchase the press tools, assemblies, and dies that align with the most commonly used sizes to reduce costs while ensuring readiness for the majority of LEU projects; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Lodi Municipal Code, Section 3.20.070, DMC Power has provided consistently prompt support, with a regional office and representatives located in Roseville; and

WHEREAS, DMC Power's proximity allows LEU to quickly obtain needed equipment—often in advance of scheduled work, and in some cases, on the same day with only a short drive – all factors in the best interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, staff is recommending to appropriate funds in the amount of \$75,000 from Fund 500 to 50199000.77030 to increase the already budgeted amount of \$50,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$125,000 to cover the purchase cost of the equipment, added sales tax, freight, and any cost variances that may occur between the time the quote was received and the actual order is placed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby waives the bid process and authorizes the purchase of a power press and head assemblies from DMC Power and appropriation of funds in the amount of \$75,000 as noted above for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$125,000.

Dated: March 18, 2026

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2026-____ was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held on March 18, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

OLIVIA NASHED
City Clerk

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