

**Resolution #2026-1**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FROM THE LOWEST COST ELECTRICITY PROVIDER FOR THE PURPOSES OF STREET LIGHTING AND COMMERCIAL ACCOUNTS THROUGH THE NORTHERN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC COLLABORATIVE BID PROCESS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Belvidere has previously joined the Northern Illinois Municipal Collaborative (NIMEC) for the purpose of procuring electricity through a cooperative pool in order to receive a more competitive bid price on electricity. NIMEC's membership consists of 160+ northern Illinois governmental organization;

**WHEREAS**, the City through its participation in the NIMEC bid process has previously entered into contracts with the lowest bidder for electricity for the City's facilities as well as street lights.

**WHEREAS**, Commonwealth Edison no longer offers a fixed rate for larger power accounts and street light accounts. ComEd prices larger sized accounts on a floating market rate that changes every hour. It is not possible to predict those rates for the following 12 months, as they are dependent upon weather, usage and other market factors. Fixed rates for medium and large sized accounts are only available from suppliers other than ComEd;

**WHEREAS**, because commodity pricing is volatile, the Mayor will need to have the authority to sign a contract with the electricity provider which is deemed most favorable for the City on the same day that bids are presented by NIMEC, and determine if the desired contract should be for a one, two or three-year term;

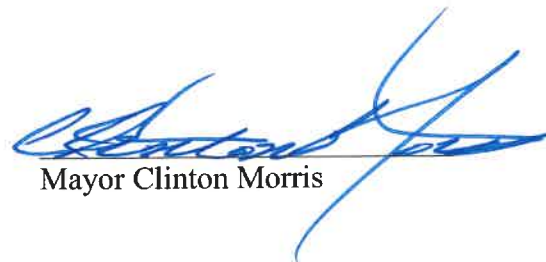
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Mayor or the Mayor's designee, is hereby authorized to execute, and the Clerk to attest the contract with the lowest bidder.

Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson and Stevens.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Date Approved: February 9, 2026



Mayor Clinton Morris

Attest:



Erica Bluege, City Clerk