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Village of Bartlett to Join DuPage Water Commission

Elmhurst, IL On Tuesday, Bartlett's Village Board unanimously approved agreements with the DuPage Water Commission to purchase its water supply from the Commission beginning in 2019. The plan calls for construction of a five and a half mile-long, large diameter water main from the DuPage Water Commission to the Village of Bartlett before May of 2019, when the Village's current agreement with Elgin expires.

The Village of Bartlett currently pumps an average 3.2 million gallons of water a day. DuPage Water Commission Chairman Jim Zay stated, "We are pleased to add the Village as a new customer. We believe this agreement offers an advantage to Bartlett water customers who will now have a single source for high-quality Lake Michigan water. And, the addition of the Village to the Water Commission brings in new revenue which keeps water rates down for all Commission customers."

The Commission's General Manager, John Spatz noted, "With the addition of Bartlett as a new customer, we will be increasing our customer base and fixed cost will be spread across more users, thereby lowering the cost for each customer." He also stated, "The Commission has the capacity to add the Village and will still have ample capacity for the Commission's current customers and room to continue to grow."

The Commission will select an engineering firm to complete the design and if all goes as planned, construction would begin later this year.