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MINUTES
ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
October 3, 2022

The Regular Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting was held at its principal offices at 31315 Chaney Street, Lake Elsinore, California with a remote public participation option (teleconference, through a call-in number clearly noted on the meeting Agenda) posted in accordance with the Brown Act and Assembly Bill 361.

Directors Present:

Harvey Ryan
Chance Edmondson

Staff Present:

Greg Thomas, General Manager
Ganesh Krishnamurthy, Assistant General Manager -Eng/Water Res/Ops
Terese Quintanar, District Secretary
Christy Gonzalez, Executive Assistant/Deputy Board Secretary
Jase Warner, Director of Operations
Jason Dafforn, Director of Engineering and Water Resources
Margie Armstrong, Director of Strategic Programs
Matthew Bates, Engineering Manager
David Smith, Maintenance Manager
Tim Collie, Engineering Project Coordinator
Jessie Arellano, Wastewater Operations Manager
Parag Kalaria, Water Resources Manager
Bonnie Woodrome, Community Affairs Supervisor
LaDawn Allen, Accounting Technician III

CALL TO ORDER

Director Ryan called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The meeting was opened to public comments and there were none. Opportunity was provided to the public to make public comments throughout the duration of the meeting.

- 1. Amendment No. 1 to the Contract Services Agreement with Hach Company for Maintenance of the District's Water Quality Analyzers** – Mr. Collie reported that Hach Company has been identified by staff as a sole source provider for analyzer equipment and related maintenance service and has provided these services since 2011. Hach's service and maintenance plan increases the life and

reliability of the equipment and includes discounted prices for material, parts, equipment, and reagents.

In February 2022, under the authority of the General Manager, the District entered into a one-year Contract Services Agreement (CSA) along with one, one-year optional extension with Hach Company to maintain the district's water quality analyzers. The cost for the first year of the service was \$90,243.

Renewal pricing for the analyzer equipment maintenance contract was solicited from Hach Company and the costs for the one-year extension would be \$97,697.15. After long and successful negotiations from the purchasing team, a two-year service agreement was reached for a total amount of \$187,940.15. Staff plans to present this item at the October 13, 2022 Board meeting.

Staff clarified for Director Ryan that this amendment covers years 2022 and 2023. Director Edmondson appreciated staff's negotiation efforts.

The Committee concurred with moving this item to the Board for consideration of approval.

2. Purchase Orders for As-Needed Concrete, Concrete Slurry and Delivery with Superior Ready Mix, So Cal Short Load and Rancho Ready Mix

Mr. Collie reported that normally used is Superior Ready Mix, a local vendor, however after posting an Invitation for Bid on June 17, 2022 for concrete, concrete slurry and delivery needs, there were zero responsive bidders. Staff moved forward by directly soliciting bids from local concrete vendors. As a result of this effort, three vendors provided pricing and were willing to enter into an as-needed contract with EMMWD. The three concrete vendors are Superior Ready Mix, So Cal Short Load and Rancho Ready Mix. Retaining three concrete vendors is desirable to maximize responsiveness and flexibility based on the specific concrete order type and size.

Staff plans to present this item at the October 13, 2022 Board meeting to recommend approval of Purchase Orders with Superior Ready Mix, So Cal Short Load, and Rancho Ready Mix for an annual not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000, along with three optional one-year extensions in the amount of \$150,000, for a total amount of \$600,000.

The Committee concurred with moving this item to the Board for consideration of approval.

3. Consider Items for Board Review – Items 1 and 2 will be presented for consideration at a future Board meeting.

- 4. Discuss Future Agenda Items** – Director Edmondson suggested a future discussion on warehouse stocking updates, in light of supply chain issues. Staff reported that the ordering lead times are long, and they are now ordering a year in advance to meet demands. Larger quantities are also being ordered, and staff is reaching out to vendors.

Director Ryan suggested future discussions on the car wash and water usage, capital cost per acre foot on projects, and updates on the Septic to Sewer Conversion project.

- 5. Other** – There were none.

- 6. Adjourned at 3:42 p.m.**