



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: November 18, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Engineering Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Contract For Construction Management For El Estero Digester Cleaning And Equipment Rehabilitation Project

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a contract with MNS Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$54,600 for construction support services, and approve expenditures of up to \$5,460 for extra services of MNS Engineers, Inc., that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work.

DISCUSSION:

BACKGROUND

On June 10, 2014, Council awarded a contract for construction to Synagro-WWT for the El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant Digester Cleaning and Equipment Rehabilitation Project (Project). The work included cleaning both digesters and replacing isolation valves and gas piping associated with the digesters. This Project is funded largely by a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A Notice to Proceed for the Project was issued on September 22, 2014. Mechanical repairs and replacements required before the digesters can be taken off line are proceeding. Once that work is complete, the first of two digesters will be taken down and cleaned. The work for the Project is scheduled to last through August, 2015.

At the time of award, staff intended to complete the construction management of the project in house. With changes in staffing and competing priorities, staff recommends that construction management and SRF loan processing be taken over by MNS Engineers, Inc. (MNS). MNS is currently providing construction management for the Tertiary Filtration Replacement Project, for which they were selected through a request for proposal process, and has staff available to manage this Project. Staff

recommends that Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a contract with MNS in the amount of \$54,600 for construction management services, and approve expenditures of up to \$5,460 for extra services that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work.

FUNDING

This project is primarily funded by an SRF loan (\$836,331), with the remaining costs (\$131,314) funded by the Wastewater Fund. There are sufficient funds in the Wastewater Fund to cover the cost of this Project.

The following summarizes the expenditures recommended in this report:

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FUNDING SUMMARY

	Basic Contract	Change Funds	Total
MNS	\$54,600	\$5,460	\$60,060
TOTAL RECOMMENDED AUTHORIZATION			\$60,060

The following summarizes all Project design costs, construction contract funding, and other Project costs:

ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECT COST

**Cents have been rounded to the nearest dollar in this table.*

Construction Contract	\$791,725
Construction Change Order Allowance	\$79,170
Subtotal	\$870,895
Construction Management/Inspection (by Contract)	\$60,500
Construction Management/Inspection (by City Staff)	\$36,250
Subtotal	\$96,750
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$967,645

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