



Agenda Item No. _____

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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: September 14, 2010

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Water Resources Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Contract For Revisions To Industrial Waste Pretreatment Program Processes

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a contract, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, with Larry Walker and Associates (LWA) in an amount not to exceed \$31,158, to develop needed revisions to the City's Pretreatment Program, and approve expenditures up to \$3,115 for extra services of LWA that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work.

DISCUSSION:

The Clean Water Act requires that all wastewater treatment plants treating more than one million gallons per day develop and implement an industrial waste pretreatment program in compliance with federal regulations. Changes to the federal regulations governing the development and implementation of the pretreatment program necessitate the modification of certain City documents. The City has received a recent audit by the State Water Quality Control Board requiring changes to the City's pretreatment program and specifying that various City documents, including the City's municipal code, be modified to comply with the revised regulations.

Pretreatment is a very specialized field. LWA will work with staff to review and develop required changes to City documents and to provide training for staff on the implementation of the program. A request for proposals was issued to five firms for this work, and two firms provided proposals. LWA was determined to be the most qualified firm, and staff negotiated an acceptable proposal with LWA. LWA has provided similar services for numerous other public wastewater agencies with pretreatment programs.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

There are sufficient funds in the Wastewater Operating Fund to cover these consulting services.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office