Memorandum



Date:

September 8, 2025

To:

Buchanan City Commission

From:

Tony McGhee

Subject:

Purchase of Grinder Pumps for Mill Pond Apartments Lift Station

Background

In May 1981, the City of Buchanan entered into an agreement with the developer of the Mill Apartments (Attachment A), which included the City assuming ownership and maintenance responsibilities for a lift station serving the development.

Since that time, the lift station at Mill Pond Apartments has experienced recurring issues with pump clogging. So far this year, the pumps have required servicing or removal nine times, with four of those incidents occurring within the past six weeks. The primary cause of these clogs is rags and other debris entering the system through the sewer lines from surrounding buildings in the development.

This problem has persisted for years despite repeated correspondence between the City and the property management company reminding tenants of proper disposal practices. Unfortunately, it is virtually impossible to prevent inappropriate items from being flushed, and once they reach the pump, they cannot be traced to a specific unit.

Regularly pulling and cleaning the pumps is not only labor-intensive but also costly and disruptive. Each incident requires significant staff time, specialized equipment, and, in some cases, emergency response to prevent service disruptions or potential sanitary sewer overflows. These repeated interventions divert staff from other critical maintenance tasks, accelerate equipment wear, and increase long-term costs.

To address this ongoing issue, staff solicited quotes for the purchase and installation of grinder pumps at the lift station. While this requires an upfront investment, the long-term savings from reducing frequent pump removals and cleanings—along with improved operational reliability—will significantly benefit the wastewater operating budget. Quotes were requested from three vendors; two suppliers responded. DuBois-Cooper submitted a quote of \$9,430.00, and Solberg Knowles & Associates submitted a quote of

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\$11,038.00. The quotes and detailed specifications are included in Attachment B for your review.

Recommendation

Due to the operational inefficiencies caused by the absence of grinder pumps at the Mill Pond Apartments Lift Station, staff recommends purchasing a Homa Grinder Pump from DuBois-Cooper for \$9,430.00. Funding for this purchase is available in the FY25/26 Sewer Maintenance and Operations Budget.

Attachment A:

Lift Station Agreement

Attachment B:

Grinder Pump Quotes

Attachment A



MILL FOND APARTMENTS

CONTRACT FOR SERVICE CONNECTION

This Agreement, made this /// day of // 1981, between the CITY OF BUCHANAN, a Municipal Corporation of the County of Berrien, with principle offices at 107 W. Front Street, Buchanan, Michigan 49107, hereinafter referred to as "City" and C & W ASSOCIATES, a Michigan Limited Partnership, with principle offices at 3027 Niles-Buchanan Road, Buchanan, Michigan 49107, hereinafter referred to as "Developer".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are desirous of completing a water, sewer and storm sewer project pursuant to Plans and Specifications attached hereto, dated the 21 day of APRIL , 1981, and identified as APARTMENTS FOR THE EXPERLY

WHEREAS, the Developer is desirous of obtaining municipal waste water and water services from City to its site, and

WHEREAS, the City is desirous of completing its storm water drain system for the Liberty Heights and Parkridge areas of the municipality to cross Developers real estate, and

WHEREAS, the City has the power to do any public work or make any public improvement by the employment of necessary labor and the purchase of the necessary supplies and materials pursuant to Charter,

NOW THEREFORE, It is agreed as follows:

- 1) PROJECT: The project contemplated hereunder is shown in the Plans and Specifications attached hereto, dated the 2/5T day of AFKK. , 1981, and identified as: APARTMENTS FOR THE ELDERLY.
- 2) COST OF PROJECT: City shall act as the fiscal agent for said project; shall purchase all materials and supplies such as pipe, lift station and hydrants up to but not exceeding Thirty-two Thousand Five Hundred and No/100 (\$32,500.00) Dollars.

Developer, through its contractor, Brown County Construction Company, a Michigan Corporation, shall contribute at no charge to the City, labor and machinery for the services shown herein below.

In the event any change orders are necessary and agreed, the parties shall compute the costs of said modification and mutually agree to the manner of payment, if any.

- EASEMENTS: Developer shall grant easements to City for the installation, operation, and maintenance of said water, waste-water (sewage) and storm water systems as shown on said plan.
- 4) LIFT STATION: Developer shall arrange for installation of the lift station shown on the plans and specifications including the electrical connections; City shall connect main to lift station. In the event City shall reverse the flowage or the said lift station shall no longer be required, City may remove and relocate said lift station.
- 5) PROJECT: Developer, or its contractor, Brown County Construction Company hereby agrees to provide the following services to the project at no cost to the City:
 - a. Excavate trench pursuant to specifications for:
 - i. 24" storm line to basinii. 12" storm line

 - iii. Off-site sewer main from existing line to site.

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- b. Install all on-site water lines, meters and remote read-outs.
- c. Excavation, grading and seeding storm ponding basin to meet requirement of emergency storm run-offs pursuant to Plans and Specifications.
 - d. All on-site sanitary laterals.
- e. Such other services as shall be mutually upon agreed by the parties.

City shall at no cost to Developer, or its said contractor, purchase all materials for said project; provided, however, City's obligation hereunder shall not exceed the sum of Thirty-two Thousand Five Hundred and No/100 (\$32,500.00) Dollars. In the event materials or supply costs exceed said figure, Developer will promptly reimburse City for said expenses. In addition, the City shall perform the following services:

- a. Installation and back-fill of:
 - i. 24" storm line to storm ponding basin

 - ii. 12" storm lineiii. Sanitary sewer main from existing line to site.
- 6) SCHEDULING: The supervisor of the Department of Public Works and Developer's designated agent shall be responsible for the scheduling of all project construction. The parties hereto shall use their best efforts to coordinate said construction to accommodate the work schedule of Developer.
- 7) SUPERVISION: All construction hereunder shall be under the direct supervision of the designated City Engineer and subject to the statutes of the State of Michigan and the Ordinances of the City of Buchanan.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have set their hands and seals the day and date first above written.

> CITY OF BUCHANAN, a Municipal Corporation of the County of Berrien

Attest:

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Partner

Mayor

P.O.A

Partner

BROWN COUNTY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, A Michigan Corporation

Attachment B





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QUOTATION

Quoted To:

Buchanan WWTP 302 N. Redbud Tr bookkeeper@cilyofbuchanan.com BUCHANAN, MI 49107 Quote Number: 222817

Quote Date:

Jul 10, 2025

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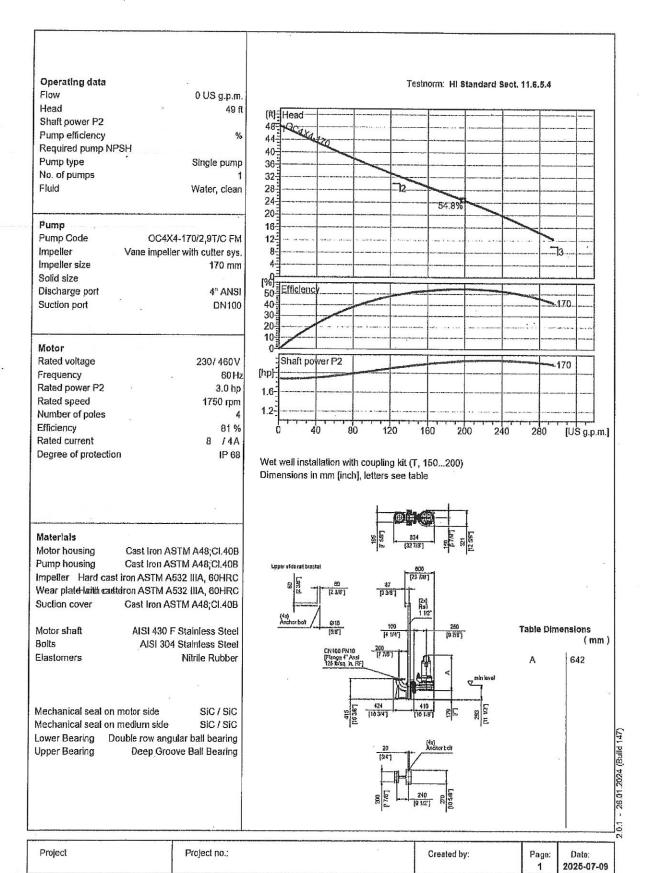
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Customer ID	Good Thru	Payment Terms	Sales Rep
BUCHANAN WWTP	8/9/25	Net 30 Days	HOMA

Quantity	ltem :	Description ⊬	Unit Price	Amount
1.00	OC4X4	Homa OC4X4-170 / 2.9T/C non FM 32' cable	8,780.00	8,780.00
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Quote Accepted	Ву:		TOTAL	9,430.00
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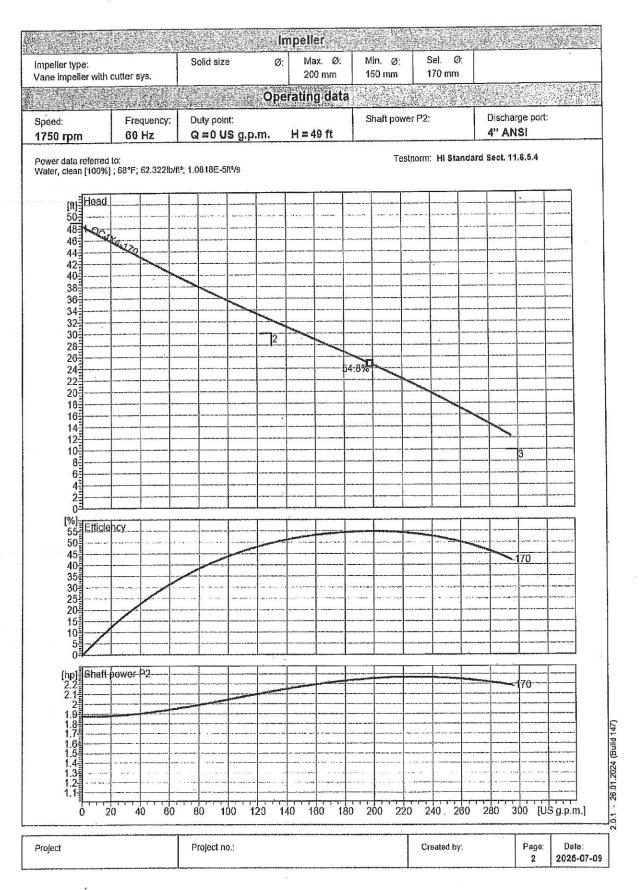
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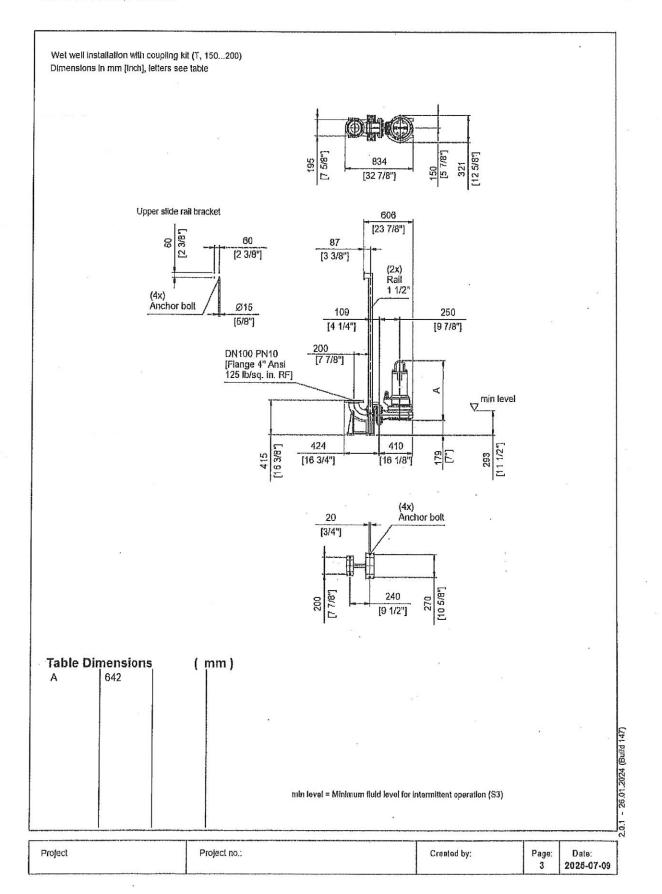
Performance Curve





Dimensions





Technical Data



	Operat	ng data		
Flow	0 US g.p.m. US g.p.m.	Head	49 ft	ft
Shaft power P2	hp	Static head	0	ft
Pump efficiency	%	Required pump NPSH		ft
Pump type	Single pump	No. of pumps	1	
Fluid	Water, clean	Temperature	68	°F
Density	62.32 lb/ft³	Kin, viscosity	1.082E-5	ft²/s

	Pur	np			
Pump Code	OC4X4-170/2,9T/C FM	Speed		1750	rpm
Suction port	DN100	Head	Max.	48.4	ft
Discharge port	4" ANSI	Head	Min.	12.4	ft
Impeller type	Vane impeller with cutter sys.	Flow	Max.	295.0	US g.p.m.
Solid size	mm	Pump efficiency max.		54.8	%
Impeller Ø	170 mm	Required rated por	wermax. P2	2.3	hp

			Mo	itor-			
Motor design	Submersi	ble motor		Insulation class		Н	
Motor name	AM173.3,	5T/4/3		Degree of protection		IP 68	
Frequency	60		Hz	Temperature class		T3C	
Rated power P2	3.0		hp	NEMA code		D	
				Explosion protection		Class I, Div. 1, Gr	p. C&D
Rated speed	1750		rpm	P-05-4-	100%	81,0	%
Rated voltage	230	/460 V	3~	Efficiency at % rated power	75%	83.0	%
Rated current	8,0	14	Α	at whated power	50%	84.0	%
Starting current, direct starting	30.4	/ 15,3	Α		100%	0.87	
Starting current, star-delta			Α	cos phi at % rated power	75%	0.83	
Starting mode	Directly			at 15 tated power	50%	0.74	
Power cable	10G1,5			Control cable			
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Bearing	Lower Bearing		Double row angular ball bearing				
-	Upper Bea	aring		Deep Groove	Ball Bearin	ng	
Remarks							

	Materials .	/-Weight	
Motor housing	Cast Iron ASTM A48;CI.40B	Motor shaft	AISI 430 F Stainless Steel
Pump housing	Cast Iron ASTM A48;CI.40B	Bolts	AISI 304 Stainless Steel
Impeller	Hard cast iron ASTM A532 III	A,E384ExDers ·	Nitrile Rubber
Wear plate with culter	Hard cast iron ASTM A532 III	A, 60HRC	
Suction cover	Cast Iron ASTM A48;CI.40B		
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Weight aggregate	242.5 lb		

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Proposal

TO: City of Buchanan

Date: July 16th, 2025

ATTN: Terry Burns

Project: Barnes chopper pump for Mill Pond

Station

The seller hereby offers the following equipment subject to all terms & conditions noted on this contract:

We are pleased to offer the following proposal for your review and consideration on the above named project. Kindly review our offer in its entirety and let us know of any further questions or requirements. This offer is for providing the equipment listed herein for installation by others.

QTY		 DESCRIPTION			\$
1		Barnes 4XSCDF30N4	oump		10,055.00
		-4 inch discharge, hydra	aulic series F, 3 HP,		
		1750 rpm, 208-230 vo	lts, 3 phase, impeller		
		trimmed to 160mm, In	npeller Material Ductil	eIron,	
		Carbon / Ceramic Upp	er, Sil Car / Sil Car Lo	wer seal,	
		Explosion Proof $= Y$,	5 Year Full Warranty f	rom	
	•	Shipment			
		*143213XP-MBM			
1		Cord, LV, 12/4, 18/4, 50	0'		833.00
-		*125496XF	•		552.55
	ŧ	Shipping	(a)		150.00

Lead time: 2-5 weeks Total Investment: \$11,038.00 This proposal and the attached terms and conditions cannot be modified in any way except by expressed written approval of Gasvoda & Associates, Inc.

Gasvoda & Associates reserves the right to request purchase orders be written directly to the manufacturers per the manufacturers terms and conditions included in their scopes.

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TERMS:	100% 30 days NET.	100% 30 days NET.					
FREIGHT:	_X_FOB Factory inc	luded to jobsite, unloading b	y others.				
START-UP:	_ days included Add	ditional start up, if required,	will be billed at our star	idard rate.			
TAXES:	ALL applicable taxes	must be added.					
SUBMITTAL DATA	: N/A weeks after	receipt of order (If Required	i) .				
DELIVERY:	2 to 5 weeks bas	sed on longest lead time item	1.				
DURATION:	This proposal is valid	for 30 days after which we r	eserve the right to revie	w or withdraw.			
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SOLBERG KNOWLES & ASSOCIATES TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

TERMS

- Terms of payment are 100% net due 30 days from "date of shipment & invoice" for all orders less than \$100,000.
- 2. Terms and conditions for orders totaling more than \$100,000.00 are based on progress payments as follow:
 - A) 10% of net order total due upon delivery of submittal data for review and approval with no retainage allowed.
 - B) 10% of remaining net order total due at time of release to production with no retainage allowed.
 - C) Entire balance of remaining net order total due within 30 business days after delivery and invoicing with no retainage allowed. Start-up services will not be scheduled prior to receipt of full and final payment is received, with no exceptions.

CONDITIONS

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Subject only to any credit terms which Seller may extend, the total purchase price hereunder is due at such time, within or after the estimated shipment period specified on the face hereof, as said equipment is ready to be shipped. Buyer shall pay in full all invoices within the time for payment specified therein and BUYER'S PAYMENT OBLIGATION IS NO WAY DEPENDENT OR CONTINGENT UPON BUYER'S RECEIPT OF PAYMENT FROM ANY OTHER PARTY. Any balance owed by Buyer for 30 days or more after the same becomes due is subject to a 1-1/2% per month delinquency charge until paid. In addition to all other amounts due hereunder, Buyer shall reimburse Seller in full for all collection costs or charges, including reasonable attorney's fees, which Seller may incur with respect to the collection of past due amounts from Buyer.

Warranty

Seller warrants only that said equipment is free from defects in materials and workmanship as set forth in Seller's standard Certificate of Warranty furnished to Buyer at the time of final shipment. Seller makes no other warranty concerning said equipment beyond that set forth in said Certificate and expressly disclaims any warranty of merchantability or fitness for any particular process not described in the applicable drawings and specifications.

Seller's sole responsibility with respect to any equipment which proves to be defective as to materials or workmanship is either to replace or to repair the same as is set forth in said Certificate of Warranty. Unless authorized in writing by Seller, Seller is not responsible for any charge or expense incurred for the modification, servicing or adjusting of said equipment after the same has been delivered to Buyer.

3. Liability of Seller

Seller is not liable in any event hereunder for any consequential, incidental, or liquidated damages or penalties.

Claim Period

Buyer shall immediately inspect said equipment upon receipt thereof. Seller is not obligated to consider any claim for shortages or non-conformance unless notified thereof by Buyer within 10 days after Buyer's receipt of said equipment.

Cancellation

Should Buyer cancel this agreement without Seller's prior written consent, Seller may, at its option, recover from Buyer a cancellation charge of not less than 20% of the purchase price hereunder.

6. Taxes

Sale may be subject to state sales tax depending on the state. Gasvoda & Associates requires proof of exemption for all nontaxable sales. Regardless of exemption status, Gasvoda & Associates proposal does not include any sales tax. Payment of any sales tax remains the responsibility of the purchaser.

7. Fees

All credit card charges will be subject to a 3% processing fee.

Storage

If at such time, within or after the estimated shipment period specified on the face hereof, as Seller notifies Buyer that said equipment is ready to be shipped Buyer requests a delay in shipment, Seller may, at its option, agree to store said equipment for a period of time determined by Seller, provided that such agreement will not affect Buyer's obligation to pay in full all invoices as they become due, and provided further that for each month, or portion thereof, said equipment is stored by Seller, Buyer shall pay to Seller as a storage fee an amount equal to 1% of the balance due hereunder.

Drawings, Illustrations and Manuals

Catalog and proposal drawings, bulletins, and other accompanying literature are solely for the purpose of general style, arrangement, and approximate dimensions. Seller may make any changes Seller deems necessary or desirable.

'0. <u>Insurance</u>

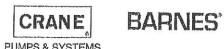
We have made no allowances for special insurance requirements including but not limited to "Waiver of Subrogation", "Form GC2010", liquidated damages, or anything beyond what is specifically spelled out as being included herein. We reserve the right to amend our offering for anything required outside of the specific items/services spelled out as being included. An exception must be in writing and authorized by Gasvoda & Associates.

11. Start Up

NO START UP WILL BE MADE PRIOR TO 100% PAYMENT. Warranty is invalid without authorized start up.

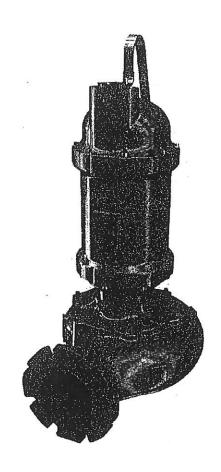
12. Operations and Maintenance Manuals

We include standard manufacturers O & M manuals as provided by the manufacturer. Special conditions of bid documents concerning O & M manuals and / or the modification of manuals to meet specific requirements of the bid documents are the contractors responsibility.



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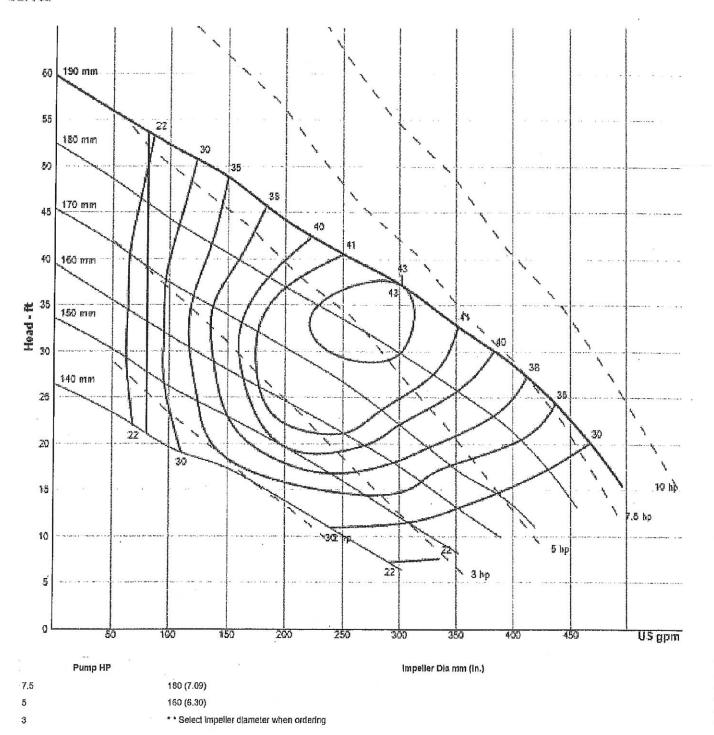


Specifications

DISCHARGE:	4*, 125 lb. Horizontal flange slotted to accommodate 100mm ISO flanges			
LIQUID TEMPERATURE:	104°F (40°C) Continuous			
VOLUTE:	Cast Iron ASTM A-48, Class 30			
STRIKER PLATE:	440C stainless steel heat treated to 53-60 HRC hole pattern to accommodate 4* 125 # flange			
WEAR RING:	C954 Lead-Free Bronze			
SPEED:	1760 RPM			
IMPELLER:	 Design: Enclosed Dual-Vane, with pump out vanes on back side. Dynamically balanced ISO G5.3. Material: Ducille Iron ASTM A-536, 65-45-12 			
SLIGING BLADE:	440C Stainless steel heat treated to 53-60 HRC			
SHAFT:	416 Statnless steel			
O-RINGS:	Buna-N			
HARDWARE & LIFTING BAIL:	300 Series stainless steel			
PAINT:	Axalla™ Corlar® Epoxy, two coats			
SUBMERGENCE:	Max Depth 66ff (20m)			
CORD ENTRY:	Custom molded, quick connected for sealing and strain relief (18 & 21 Frame ONLY)			
POWER CORD:	CSA certified submersible power cable 2000V - ordered separately			
MOTOR HOUSING:	Cast Iron ASTM A-48, Class 30			
SEAL PLATE:	Cast Iron ASTM A-48, Class 30			
SEAL:	 Design: Tandem mechanical, oil filled reservoir Material: Inboard: Carbon rotating face, Ceramic stationary face Outboard: Silicon carbide rotating face, silicon carbide stationary face Elastomer: Buna-N Hardware: 300 Series stainless steel 			
UPPER BEARING:	Design: Single row, ball, oil lubricated Load: Radial			
LOWER BEARING:	Design: Double row, ball, oil lubricated Load: Radial & thrust			
MOTOR:	 Design: NEMA B - Three Phase Torque Curve Oil-Filled, Squirrel Cage Induction, Inverter Duty rated per NEMA MG1 Insulation: Class H Varnish & Magnet Wire 			
THREE PHASE:	Requires overload protection to be included in control panel			
MOISTURE SENSOR:	Normally open (N/O), requires relay in control panel			
TEMPERATURE SENSOR:	Three normally closed (N/C). To be wired in series with control circuit			
OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT:	White Iron Impeller, seal material, impeller trims, cord length			
MARKINGS:	CSA			

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Curves



CRANE PUMPS & SYSTEMS

Model Information

PUMP MODEL NUMBER – VOLTAGE/PHASE	4XSCDF30N4 230/3
EXPLOSION PROOF, CLASS I, DIVISION 1, GROUPS C & D	Т4
DRIVER FRAME	18
VOLTAGE/PHASE	230/3
HZ	60
RPM	1750
NEMA START CODE	К
FULL LOAD AMPS	9.2
SERVICE FACTOR	1.2
SERVICE FACTOR AMPS	10.6
LOCKED ROTOR AMPS	65.8
CORD PART NUMBER	125496
CORD SIZE	12/4 - 18/4
WEIGHT (LBS)	265



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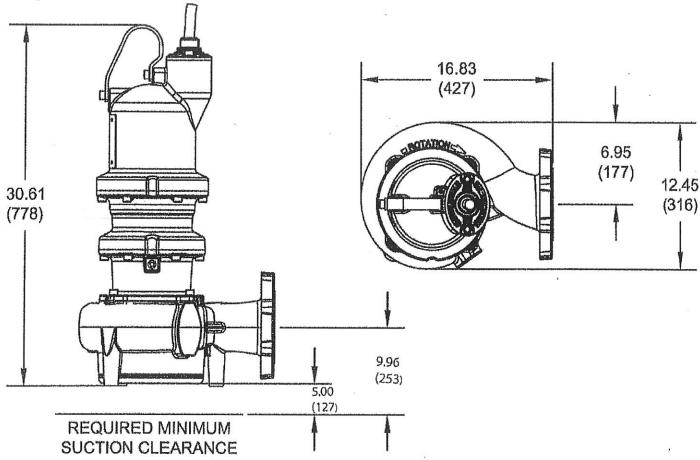
MOISTURE AND TEMPERATURE SENSOR LEADS ARE INTEGRAL TO POWER CORD.
PUMP RATEO FOR OPERATION AT ± 10% YOLTAGE AT MOTOR.

A CORD SUFFIX: XC - 30 FEET, XF - 80 FEET, XJ - 75 FEET, OR XL - 100 FEET.

CORD SOLO SEPARATELY.

*SELECT IMPELLER DIAMETER WHEN ORDERING.

Drawings





All dimensions are in inches (mm)



IMPORTANT

- 1. MOISTURE AND TEMPERATURE SENSORS MUST BE CONNECTED TO VALIDATE THE CSALISTING.
- 2. A SPECIAL MOISTURE SENSOR RELAY IS REQUIRED IN THE CONTROL PAREL FOR PROPER OPERATION OF THE MOISTURE SENSORS, CONTACT BARNES PUMPS FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING MOISTURE SENSING RELAYS FOR CUSTOMER SUPPLIED CONTROL PARELS.
- 3. THESE PUMPS ARE CALLISTED FOR PUMPING WATER AND WASTEWATER, DO NOT USE TO PUMP FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS.

 4. INSTALLATIONS SUCH AS DECORATIVE FOUNTAINS OR WATER FEATURES PROVIDED FOR VISUAL ENJOYMENT MUST BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE ANSIMPPA 70 AND/OR THE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION. THIS PUMP IS NOT INTENDED FOR USE IN SWIMMUNG POOLS, RECREATIONAL WATER PARKS, OR INSTALLATIONS IN WHICH HUMAN CONTACT WITH PUMPED MEDIA IS A COMMON OCCURRENCE.
- 5. THIS PUMP IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THOSE APPLICATIONS SPECIFIED AS CLASS 1 DIVISION 1 HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS (ONLY APPLICABLE FOR NON-EXPLOSION PROOF MODELS)

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Product Resources

Engineering Specification I&O Manual (18 FRAME)

BAF	Close Adapter
Intermediate Rall Supports	Wedge Adapter
Flygt Adapter	Cable Rack for Level Control
Flygt MINICAS Adapter	Conditioning Stand
Pump Monitor Relay	Lifling Chain
Ball Check Valve	Control Float (Explosion Proof Series Only)
Control Float (Standard Series Only)	

Station Drawings