

STAFF REPORT 4/24/2024

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Cástulo R. Estrada, Utilities Manager

SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to Approve a Contract for Services with Ecology

Auto Parts Inc., in an Amount not to Exceed \$132,550.00 Including a 10% Contingency for the Removal of Biosolids at the Coachella Sanitary District

Wastewater Reclamation Plant.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a Contract for Services with Ecology Auto Parts Inc., in an Amount not to exceed \$132,550.00 including a 10% Contingency for the Removal of Biosolids at the Coachella Sanitary District Wastewater Reclamation Plant

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

In accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency, 40 CFR the Coachella Sanitary District has been stockpiling Biosolids at its Wastewater Treatment Facility. As per sections 503.12 and 503.14 those Biosolids have met the EPA's pollutant and pathogen requirements for land application and surface disposal. We are now required to properly dispose of them at an offsite facility. The last time the Biosolids were hauled offsite was 2014.

Three contract companies where contacted for bid. Staff checked with other regional Wastewater Treatment Facilities, and the costs provided are in line with those provided for other Facilities in the surrounding area.

Staff solicited three companies to haul a minimum of 2000 tons and properly dispose of the dried Biosolids offsite. Based on the bids received, staff recommends a contract with Ecology.

Ecology \$60.25 per ton Penali \$79.00 per ton H.M. Holloway, Inc. \$87.10 per ton

FISCAL IMPACT:

Staff is requesting \$132,550.00 from undesignated reserves in the Sanitation Fund be moved to the FY 2023/2024 Operations Budget for Professional Services/Contract Services to complete this task.