



STAFF REPORT
9/9/2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Castulo Estrada, Utilities Director

PREPARED BY: Castulo Estrada, Utilities Director

SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Precision Backflow for Backflow Testing Services in an amount not to exceed \$21,560.00 and Authorize a 10% Contingency.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Precision Backflow for Backflow Testing Services in an amount not to exceed \$21,560.00 and a 10% contingency.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding is included in the FY 26/27 budget.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Coachella maintains a Cross-Connection Control Program to protect the City's potable water distribution system from actual and potential cross-connections that could result in the contamination of the public water supply. In accordance with the State Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook (State CCCPH) and the City's Cross Connection Control Management Plan (CCCMP), approved backflow prevention assemblies (BPAs) are required at locations where a potential health or non-health hazard exists. These assemblies must be properly installed, maintained, and periodically field tested to verify that they are functioning as intended and continue to provide the required level of protection to the City's water system.

To fulfill these regulatory and program requirements, the City solicited proposals for professional backflow testing services. The selected contractor will be responsible for conducting field testing of backflow prevention assemblies, documenting test results, identifying assemblies that do not meet applicable standards, and providing the necessary documentation to support the City's ongoing Cross-Connection Control Program. Regular testing and documentation are essential to maintaining compliance with the State CCCPH and protecting the City's potable water supply from potential contamination.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

On June 17, 2026, the City issued and posted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for backflow testing services. The deadline for proposal submissions was July 7, 2026. The City received five proposals in response to the RFP. In accordance with the City's procurement procedures, the submitted proposals were evaluated, and Precision Backflow was determined to be the lowest responsible proposer. Staff recommends awarding a Professional Services Agreement to Precision Backflow in an amount not to exceed \$21,560.00 and authorizing a 10% contingency.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposal from Precision Backflow
2. Professional Services Agreement
3. Bid Register