



CITY COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Utilities

DATE: January 28, 2025

SUBJECT: Motion to approve a Piggyback Contract (Agreement) with Hinterland Group, Inc. with Palm Beach County, FL, and approval of purchase in the amount of \$511,130.46 to rehabilitate three (3) wastewater lift stations No. 5, 9, and 20 utilizing this Piggyback Contract. - **Utilities**

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends approval of the attached Piggyback Contract with Palm Beach County and approval of a purchase order with Hinterland Group, Inc., located in Riviera Beach, FL in the amount of \$511,130.46 to rehabilitate three wastewater lift stations No. 5, 9, and 20.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

Lift Station No. 5 was installed and placed in service in 1977 and is located southwest of the intersection of SW 56 Street and SW 100th Avenue, Lift Station No. 9 was placed in service in 1974 and is located along SW 94th Avenue between SW 49 Place and SW 49 Street, and Lift Station 20 was placed into service in 1977 and is located along SW 116 Avenue between SW 58 and SW 59 Streets. All of the associated mechanical work to upgrade and replace pump bases, lifting rails, piping, valves, fittings, and other related coatings, slabs (as required), control panels, and restoration will be completed by Hinterland Group, Inc. The City's sewer collection and transmission system includes eighty-three (83) wastewater lift stations to convey raw sewage to the wastewater treatment plant and several stations are planned for rehabilitation upgrades each year to ensure the City maintains and sustains a high level of service to its customers. Hinterland Group, Inc. has performed similar upgrades at other Cooper City wastewater lift stations previously and has performed this work satisfactorily, meeting the City's expectations on cost, delivery schedules, and service.

ANALYSIS:

The City of Cooper City previously contracted with Hinterland Group, Inc. from November 6, 2019, to November 5, 2022, and then extended that contract until November 5, 2024, to purchase services for rehabilitating and repairing its wastewater lift stations, which served the City of Cooper City well. Staff has identified a similar contract recently solicited competitively by Palm Beach County that provides all of the necessary services provided by the city's previous Contract, and which will facilitate more immediate completion of the rehabilitation services needed at this time.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This approval aligns with the City’s Strategic Goal of maintaining and improving the City’s infrastructure and sustaining a high quality and term of service to the City’s residents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is sufficient funding available in the Water and Sewer CIP Fund within the current fiscal year budget to cover this expense, and this is a planned expense within the CIP.

<u>General Ledger Acct. Number</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>Remaining Amount</u>
453-930-563150-535-WS004 Waste Water Transmission Improvement – List Stations	\$663,028.80	\$511,130.46	\$151,898.34

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative to authorizing this item would be to work with a consulting engineer to either design or prepare custom or template design for similar services and solicit for these services separately which could take an additional 4 to 6 months for preparation of a vendor Contract and procure these services, which would delay the start of these improvements about a half a year. The lift stations to be rehabilitated are of significant age and require upgrades to ensure adequate operation, so it is not recommended to take this approach an extended solicitation process would likely result in higher costs if the City were to bid separately for these services.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Piggyback Agreement with Hinterland Group, Inc.
2. Exhibit A – Palm Beach County Agreement with Hinterland
3. Exhibit B – Hinterland Proposals for Lift Station Rehabilitation
4. Vendor Compliance Form