



City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: Tom Carrino, City Manager

DATE: October 23, 2025

RE: Resolution Number 25-81: Authorizing an Expenditure in Excess of \$100,000 for the Eastern Wastewater Treatment Plant Reuse Pump Station Project

Introduction:

Resolution Number 25-81 authorizes award of Bid Number 004-25 to RCM Utilities, LLC with a base bid of \$216,559 for the installation and tie-in of one additional vertical turbine high service pump, and authorizes the City Manager to execute all related agreements necessary to complete this project.

Background:

The City of Eustis' Eastern Wastewater Treatment plant currently operates with two vertical turbine high service pumps that serve the Sorrento communities. If one pump were to fail, the remaining pump would not be capable of maintaining reclaim service to residents during daily periods of peak demand. Installing a third pump will provide necessary redundancy and ensure continuous service to residents in the event of a pump failure or maintenance activity. The additional pump will not increase system capacity, as flow limitations are determined by the existing reclaim mains. The scope of work for this project includes installation of the new pump, tie-in to the existing piping manifold, electrical connection to the existing electrical panel, and SCADA integration through the plant's existing system.

Ten bids were received by licensed contractors during the October 2, 2025 bid opening for the project. The total base bids from the eight contractors ranged from a low of \$216,559 to a high of \$525,000. City staff is confident that they received competitive pricing and reasonable bids. RCM Utilities, LLC submitted the lowest total base bid of \$216,559. In reviewing RCM Utilities, LLC's bid package, no deficiencies were noted. The City's Purchasing Policies require that City Commission approve any expenditure that exceeds \$100,000.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 25-81.

Policy Implications:

N/A

Budget/Staff Impact:

The approved Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget has allocated funds of \$240,000 for the Eastern Wastewater Treatment Plant Reuse Pump Station Project as shown below:

042-8600-535-66-95	Eastern Plant Turbine Upgrade	\$240,000
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Business Impact Estimate:

N/A

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Jeff Brinson, Treatment Superintendent

Attachments:

Resolution Number 25-81

Available Upon Request:

Bid Tabs

RCM Utilities, LLC Bid Documents