



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

TO: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

FROM: Travis Foley, Utilities Director

DATE OF MEETING: May 13, 2024

ITEM TITLE: Purchase of Camera for Utilities Department

BACKGROUND:

This item was discussed at the May 6, 2024, City Council Work Session.

After reviewing different options for sewer cameras, the Staff has decided to go with the IBAK camera system. This is a CIP item that was approved in the Fiscal Year 2025 budget.

DISCUSSION:

We would like to move forward with ordering the system with the intent to purchase it after July 1, 2024. Attached is the quote for the IBAK camera system, supplied by Mid-Iowa Solid Waste Equipment. During the budgeting process, we included a cost of \$130,000 for this purchase, but we were not planning on purchasing a trailer at that point in time. Upon further thought about how this would work, and what would be needed as the televising process was completed, we believe that the inclusion of a trailer for housing and transport of the unit is the most economical use of funds and will provide the best service for the City.

RESULTS:

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of Support and Empower Workforce and Expanding and Enhancing Infrastructure. This item helps achieve that vision by allowing Staff to perform a task that we currently contract out thereby increasing efficiency, as well as allowing Staff a timelier response should an issue arise, that may impact a customer's service, etc.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Funds were budgeted in the Sewer Collection department when preparing the Fiscal Year 2025 budget in the original \$130,000 amount. The additional funds can be drawn from the operating budget for the department.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a motion to authorize the purchase of the system quoted in the attached document and authorize the City Manager to facilitate the purchase in the amount of \$155,249.00.