



MEMO TO CITY COUNCIL

Request to Include Topic on the City Council Agenda

From: Keith Watts **Meeting Date:** 3/7/2023
Presenter: N/A **Estimated Time:** N/A
Topic: Approval of Sole Source purchase of Lone Star Series Blowers from Lone Star Blower and Compressor.

Recommended Council Action:

Approval of Sole Source purchases Lone Star Blowers from Lone Star Blower and Compressor.

Background:

Sole source purchasing approval is being pursued for the Lone Star Blower system due to its overall performance, strong record of limited maintenance, and City operation and maintenance staff familiarity. It is also essential that the Blower Building 1 PLC and new blower LCPs be fully integrated with the existing WRRF process control programming and can deliver equipment control programs that are stable and optimized for efficiency. Moreover, Lone Star control panels are all based on the same PLC and operator interface hardware. Control panels provided by other vendors would likely be dissimilar and based on different components and programming standards. Additionally, interchangeability of parts between the blowers and streamlined maintenance operations contribute to the efficient utilization that would come from matching blowers.

Therefore the Public Works Department is seeking a sole source per Idaho State Statute 67-2808(2)(a)(ii) Where compatibility of equipment, components, accessories, computer software, replacements parts, or service is the paramount consideration.