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## CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION ITEM



Subject: Water Treatment Plant Bidding Update

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**Issue:** Staff would like to provide an update on communications with the Woodland Cove neighborhood, provide an update on the entrance to the future Water Treatment Plant.

Overview: City Council recently approved the plans and specifications for the future Water Treatment Plant, and authorized advertisement for bids. Newly, a conglomerate of residents that live in the Wolfberry Curve area engaged staff related to some of the design characteristics of the plant. During that discussion, it was requested to move the primary driveway from the Lotus Drive location to the Wolfberry Curve/Bellflower Drive area. The neighborhood preferred location was the original location but was moved to try and avoid traffic and deliveries through the neighborhood. The Woodland Cove neighborhood group has requested that to keep the area adjacent to their homes along with the regional park boundary more natural, we move the entrance to the plant to the Wolfberry Curve and Bellflower Drive intersection area. Also, there was a request to increase the berm size and develop a landscape plan to demonstrate tree plantings in that area that will screen the plant from the homes.

Altering plans at this time would delay the bid opening and the potential award date but would not delay substantial completion or final completion of the project.

Staff have engaged with AE2S, our water engineering group, working on developing plans for the plant to evaluate these requests. A representative from AE2S will be present to provide additional information to the group and answer any questions about these possible changes, financial impacts, and timelines.

Recommended City Council Action: Staff request that the City Council discuss the movement of the entrance of the water treatment plant, among other things, and provide directions on how to proceed.

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