

Public Works Committee
STAFF REPORT



SUBJECT: Eastside Sewer Project – Construction Inspection Services
MEETING: Public Works Committee Meeting - 11 Feb 2019
DEPARTMENT: Public Works
STAFF CONTACT: Nick Williams

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends entering into an agreement with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, Inc. (PSC) for resident project representation (a.k.a. on-site inspection) services for the Eastside Sewer Lift Station Project construction with a net zero dollar fiscal impact on the FY18-19 budget.

BACKGROUND:

The budgeted positions for a Construction Supervisor and a Construction Technician were posted in January of 2018. The positions remain vacant, as the applications received have lacked the necessary experience and expertise, with the exception of one candidate where the compensation demands could not be successfully negotiated.

PROJECT:

The lift station project is the critical first step of the overall Eastside Sewer Project. Inspection of the lift station construction is moderately complex and requires a specific expertise with oversight of construction projects.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:

PSC proposes to provide the on-site, construction inspection services for an amount not to exceed \$209,000 over the course of the 14-month project schedule.

The compensation allocated for the Construction Supervisor and the Construction Technician positions, including benefits, equates to over \$125,000 annually. Because the budgeted positions have remained unfilled this fiscal year, the full \$125,000 is available and can be used for the inspection services with a net zero dollar impact to the FY18-19 budget.

When FY19-20 begins in October, the use of approximately eight (8) months of the position salaries (approximately \$83,336) is projected to be necessary to complete the inspection services for the lift station, which would leave a positive balance in excess of \$40,000.

Staff proposes the Construction Supervisor and the Construction Technician positions remain on-hold / frozen for the duration of the Eastside Sewer Lift Station project.

An additional benefit to utilizing a Certified Construction Manager, as proposed by PSC, is the ability to provide mentorship to city staff in building the city's construction inspection division.

Attached is a copy of PSC's proposal to provide on-site services.

ATTACHMENTS:

[PSC - Eastside Sewer Lift Station Construction Inspection Services](#)