

To: Chairman Board and members of the Public Works Commission  
From: Peter Hartz – Water Systems Manager

September 04, 2024

Re: September 10, 2024, Public Works Commission meeting agenda items

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### Water Systems:

1. Review and take action – Wastewater Department, approve re-issuance of the industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit for Diversey – A Solenis Company.

**Background:** Diversey filed for closure of their facility in the end of 2022 and was issued a temporary operational industrial discharge permit that extended past the permit expiration date of June 30, 2023 – to June 30, 2024, with anticipation of a full closure. That did not happen and Diversey is no longer going to be closing and will continue operations in a similar fashion moving forward. Included for review and discussion is the new permit ready for Diversey – A Solenis Company. The current permit expired 07-30-2023. There are no significant changes to the previous permit, the permit term is for 5 years.

**Budget goal:** This aligns with investments and infrastructure planning.

**Financial Impact:** This agreement sets up the wastewater utility for additional revenue for the next 5 years by providing addition funds from wastewater surcharges from Diversey. The surcharges range from \$2,500 - \$5,000 each month; total for 2024 thru July equals \$30,000.

**Recommendation:** I recommend approval of the new industrial pretreatment permit and agreement with Diversey – A Solenis Company.

2. Review and approve - 2024 West Street Water Tower painting / rehabilitation project professional services by Strand & Associates.

**Background:** Strand was hired in 2023 to conduct a thorough inspection of the west street water tower conditions as DNR inspections noted items in need of repair. The tower inspection report was used to set the budget for 2024 to include funds for engineering services needed for the larger rehabilitation based on the inspection report. This agreement provides engineering design, bidding, and construction related services which will include interior and exterior coatings, tank repairs noted and listed by DNR and the inspection report, and tank modifications needed for improvements to the pipe insulation, cathodic protection, mud valve installation, electrical devices and conduits, and a new sampling tap.

**Budget goal:** This aligns with investments and infrastructure planning.

**Financial Impact:** This agreement allows the water utility to move the project forward for construction in 2025 and keeps the drinking water system compliant with DNR regulations for water storage structures. These Engineering related expenses were included in the 2024 budget.

**Recommendation:** I recommend approval of the agreement with Strand Associates.

Thank you for your attention to these matters. Should you have any questions or need further clarification please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Best regards,  
*Peter Hartz*  
Water Systems Manager