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# **AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY**

**MEETING NAME:** City Council

**MEETING DATE:** March 18, 2024

**ITEM TITLE:** Consider and take appropriate action on request for additional center

pivot irrigation system for wastewater treatment facility

STAFF INITIATOR: Randy Hall, Public Works Department

### **BACKGROUND:**

As you know, the management of the land application facility has changed. The facility is taking more water from the city than ever before. The need to irrigate unused areas of the facility is of high priority. An additional Center Pivot is requested to allow for more even application of the water on a 20-acre section of the facility not used prior. The cost of the Pivot is \$32,500, and we would like to construct an additional pump station to allow us to operate two pivots at the same time. The total project will consist of connecting to the existing piping, extend new piping, construct a wet well and pump station, and associated electrical and associated items. The total cost of these improvements is \$75,000.

This is not a budgeted item in the current budget, but under the circumstances it is a necessary improvement. Also, our new lessee has been much more proactive and aggressive about how he will manage the property, and we believe the facility will operate much more efficiently with the added pivot.

### **EXHIBITS:**

Valley Quote

Aerials showing location of proposed improvements

## COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the purchase and installation of the second center pivot as presented, for a total of \$75,000.