

**TO: James L. App, City Manager**  
**FROM: Doug Monn, Public Works Director**  
**SUBJECT: Award Contract to Install a Vehicle & Equipment Wash Area at the Wastewater Treatment Plant**  
**DATE: July 15, 2008**

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**NEEDS:** For the City Council to consider awarding a contract to install a vehicle and equipment wash area (truck decant station) at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP).

- FACTS:**
1. On December 8, 1999 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required municipalities with a population of 25,000 or more to prepare a Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP).
  2. On January 6, 2005 the Regional Board approved the City's SWMP.
  3. The approved SWMP contains six minimum requirements:
    - Public Education
    - Public Participation
    - Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
    - Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control
    - Post Construction Storm Water Management
    - Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations
  4. As required under the Storm Water Plan, the City must develop and implement a plan to prevent or reduce pollutants in runoff from municipal operations. As a result, the City is required to provide a permanent wash area for City vehicles and equipment so that wash water does not enter the storm drain system since wash water typically carries pollutants that are harmful to the aquatic environment. Typical pollutants include oil, grease, metals, suspended solids, organic waste, and/or detergents or other cleaning chemicals. The City has been using local car washes to clean its small equipment, however much of its fleet (street sweepers, sewer fleet) will not fit in a standard car wash bay.
  5. The City explored the purchase of a pre-manufactured wash system. The system would have captured wash water in drains to be transported offsite. The cost was \$150,000. Instead, the City prepared and advertised bid documents to install a wash area at the Treatment Plant. The wash water would drain into the City's sewer collection system and be treated prior to discharge into the Salinas River in compliance with Regional Board requirements.
  6. At the bid opening on June 19, 2008, the City received 16 bids as follows:

MGE Underground	\$ 69,438
John Madonna Construction	73,838
R. Simons Company	82,444
R. Burke Corporation	87,200
Michael Bray Construction	88,000
Kirk Construction	89,400
Michael Fredericks Paving	90,320

Whitaker Construction	92,150
Newton Construction	96,000
Rockwood General Contractors	96,900
Celtic Construction	96,913
Sansone Company	101,000
Tom's Construction	102,875
S. Chaves Construction	109,824
Hollister Construction	110,900
Michael Messer Construction	148,000

**ANALYSIS &  
CONCLUSION:**

Staff reviewed the low bid submitted by MGE Underground and found it to be responsive and responsible.

**POLICY**

**REFERENCE:** Approved Storm Water Management Plan

**FISCAL**

**IMPACT:** It is proposed that the wash area installation be funded from the Wastewater Treatment Maintenance & Operations Budget, Special Projects Fund (601.310.5235.164), which has a remaining budget of \$116,800.

**OPTIONS:**

- a.** Adopt Resolution No. 08-xx to:
  - (1) award the contract for installing a permanent wash area at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to MGE Underground in the amount of \$69,438; and
  - (2) authorize Budget No. 601.310.5235.164 (Special Projects line item of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance & Operations Budget) as the funding source for the project.
- b.** Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

Prepared by:  
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Attachments (1)  
1) Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 08-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES  
AWARDING A CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING FUNDING  
TO INSTALL A PERMANENT VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT WASH AREA  
AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

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WHEREAS, on December 8, 1999 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required municipalities with a population of 25,000 or more to prepare a Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP); and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2005 the Regional Board approved the City's SWMP; and

WHEREAS, the Stormwater Management Plan requires that the City develop and implement a plan to prevent or reduce pollutants in runoff from municipal operations, and to address this concern the City is required to provide a permanent wash area for City vehicles and equipment so that wash water does not enter the storm drain system; and

WHEREAS, bid documents were prepared and advertised for installation of a permanent wash area at the Wastewater Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, at the bid opening on June 19, 2008, the City received 16 bids ranging from \$69,438 to \$148,000; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed the low bid submitted by MGE Underground and found it to be responsive and responsible.

WHEREAS, staff proposes that the wash area installation be funded from the Wastewater Treatment Maintenance & Operations Budget, Special Projects Fund (601.310.5235.164), which has a balance of \$116,800.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Paso Robles does hereby authorize that the installation of the permanent vehicle and equipment wash area facility be funded from the Wastewater Treatment Maintenance & Operations Budget, Special Projects Fund (601.310.5235.164).

SECTION 2. The City Council does hereby award the contract to MGE Underground in the amount of \$69,438 to install a permanent vehicle and equipment wash area facility at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and authorizes the City Manager to execute the contract.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 15th day of July 2008 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST:

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Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

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Deborah D. Robinson, Deputy City Clerk