

**TO:** James L. App, City Manager  
**FROM:** Doug Monn, Public Works Director  
**SUBJECT:** Award Contract to Upgrade Forced Mains at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11  
**DATE:** January 19, 2010

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**NEEDS:** For City Council to consider awarding a contract to upgrade forced sewer mains at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11.

- FACTS:**
1. Lift Station No. 3 is located in Bella Vista Estates adjacent to Bella Vista Court. Lift Station No. 11 is located in Meadowlark Estates adjacent to Beechwood (see attached location map).
  2. At the time of their construction (Station No. 11 in 1988, Station No. 3 in 1998), 4-inch forced mains were installed at both lift stations based on the limited number of users (too large a main with too few users results in build-up from lack of volume).
  3. The number of users connected to Lift Stations No. 3 and 11 has increased resulting in increased volume of wastewater flow. As a result there is now a need to increase the size of the forced mains to 6-inch diameter. The 6-inch forced main accommodates ultimate build-out per the General Plan.
  4. Bid documents were prepared and advertised to upsize the forced mains, and at the bid opening on December 17, 2009 12 bids were received as follows:

Brough Construction .....	\$119,638.05
Dechance Construction .....	147,003.50
MGE Underground.....	170,260
D-Kal Engineering .....	173,958
R. Baker, Inc. ....	179,581
Sierra Construction.....	180,309.50
HPS Mechanical.....	230,254
R.Burke Corporation.....	237,218
GM Engineering .....	238,546
John Madonna Construction .....	254,762
Specialty Construction .....	268,690
Ahrens Corporation .....	340,025
  5. On December 21, 2009 the low bidder, Brough Construction, submitted a letter requesting release from their bid. They claimed they made an error in their bid proposal as they inadvertently did not include the cost of paving material to restore the pipeline trench.

**ANALYSIS &**

**CONCLUSION:** Brough met the requirements for bid release under Public Contract code 5100 et seq. and the City Attorney's office recommends that the City release Brough Construction and award to the second low bidder, Dechance Construction. Staff reviewed the bid submitted by Dechance and found to be a responsive and responsible bid.

**POLICY**

**REFERENCE:** Sewer Master Plan  
Adopted Capital Improvement Projects Budget

**FISCAL**

**IMPACT:** The adopted Capital Improvement Project lists a project entitled “Rehab Lift Stations” with a budget of \$536,900. The budget was adopted to accommodate necessary upgrades and improvements to the City’s lift stations. Forced main upgrades at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11 will be funded from this budget

**OPTIONS:**

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 10-xx awarding the contract to Dechance Construction in the amount of \$147,003.50 to upgrade forced mains at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11.
- b. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

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Attachment (2)s: 1) Location map  
2) Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 10-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES  
AWARDING A CONTRACT TO UPGRADE FORCED MAINS AT LIFT STATIONS NO. 3 AND 11

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WHEREAS, Lift Station No. 3 is located in Bella Vista Estates adjacent to Bella Vista Court, and Lift Station No. 11 is located in Meadowlark Estates adjacent to Beechwood; and

WHEREAS, the wetwells at the lift stations were designed to convey sewer flow from ultimate development; and

WHEREAS, a forced main from a lift station to a gravity main must be sized such that it does not allow for accumulation of waste; therefore a 4-inch forced main was installed at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11 based on the limited number of users at that time; and

WHEREAS, the number of users connected to Lift Stations No. 3 and 11 has increased resulting in increased volume of wastewater flow, and there is now a need to increase the size of the forced mains to 6-inch diameter; and

WHEREAS, bid documents were prepared and advertised to upsize to the forced mains at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11, and at the bid opening on December 17, 2009, 12 bids were received ranging from \$119,638.05 to \$340,025; and

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2009 the low bidder, Brough Construction, submitted a letter requesting release from the bid due to an error in their submittal, and the City Attorney determined that Brough Construction met the requirements for bid release under Public Contract Code 5100 et seq. and recommended that the City release them from their bid; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed the second low bid submitted by Dechance Construction and found it to be a responsive and responsible bid; and

WHEREAS, this project can be funded from the Capital Improvement Budget which includes funds in the amount of \$536,900 to "Rehab Lift Stations."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Paso Robles does hereby release Brough Construction from their bid pursuant to their request and Public Contract Code 5100 et seq.

SECTION 2. The City Council does hereby award a contract to Dechance Construction in the amount of \$147,003.50 to upgrade the forced mains at Lift Stations No. 3 and 11, and authorizes the City Manager to execute the contract.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 19th day of January 2010 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Duane Picanco, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lonnie Dolan, Deputy City Clerk

