

RESOLUTION NO. 12-079

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES  
TO HIRE BARTLE WELLS ASSOCIATES TO REVIEW WASTEWATER FACILITY CHARGES

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WHEREAS, City Council adopted new wastewater facility charges (i.e., sewer connection fees) in November 2011 through adoption of Resolution No. 11-133. City Council requested a review of wastewater facility charges (i.e., sewer connection fees) be completed by October 2013.

WHEREAS, City Council subsequently approved two scopes of work for this review. The City then solicited proposals from professional engineering and/or financial consulting firms that are known to perform this specialized work in California.

WHEREAS, the City received proposals from four firms in April 2012: Bartle Wells Associates, Black & Veatch, Carollo, and Tuckfield Associates/CDM.

WHEREAS, City Council formed an Ad Hoc Committee to participate in consultant selection. The Ad Hoc Committee members independently reviewed the proposals and met with City staff.

WHEREAS, the Ad Hoc Committee and City staff determined Bartle Wells Associates is well qualified and recommended it be selected for the work.

WHEREAS, the City's wastewater facility charges depend on a complete inventory of sewer system assets and the cost of the City's pending wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) upgrade. The City is currently updating its inventory of sewer system assets and the financing and construction costs of the WWTP upgrade are not well defined.

WHEREAS, the costs of the WWTP will be defined in the coming year, after the City secures a State Revolving Fund loan and advertises the WWTP upgrade for construction bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to contract with Bartle Wells Associates for an amount up to \$40,000 to review the City's wastewater facility charges. This work will be funded by the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Section 2. The City Manager may defer proceeding with the review for one year, until the City may complete its update of sewer system assets and learn the actual costs for financing and construction of the wastewater treatment plant upgrade.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles this 15th day of May 2012.

AYES: Hamon, Gilman, Steinbeck, Strong, Picanco

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

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Duane Picanco, Mayor

ATTEST

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Caryn Jackson, Deputy City Clerk

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