



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Authorize the City Manager to Execute Professional Services Agreements and Grant Applications for Groundwater Evaluation and Recycled Water Programs at White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility

MEETING DATE: July 19, 2000

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute professional services agreements and grant applications for groundwater evaluation and recycled water programs at White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City's wastewater discharge permit requires that we monitor groundwater upgradient and downgradient of our facility and assess impacts from our operations. While we have done limited work on this in the past, much more information and analysis is necessary to adequately assess groundwater impacts from our facility. In addition, as we evaluate options for land disposal and/or recycling the water from our facility, much more information is needed. Finally, should the City proceed with installation of tertiary treatment facilities as required in our permit, we will have water available for a variety of purposes that we do not have now.

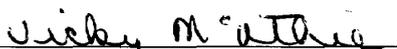
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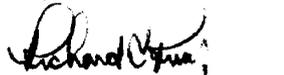
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FUNDING: Wastewater Fund; funds for this work are included in the 2000/01 operation budget.

Funding Available:


Vicky McAthie, Finance Director

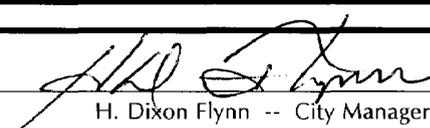

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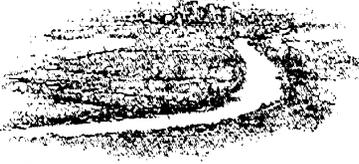
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Attachments

cc: Randy Hays, City Attorney
Fran Forkas, Water/Wastewater Superintendent
Del Kerlin, Assistant Wastewater Treatment Superintendent
Anthony Saracino, Saracino-Kirby Inc.

APPROVED: _____


H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager



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June 23, 2000

Mr. Richard Prima
Director of Public Works
City of Lodi
P.O. Box 3006
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Re: Proposal for consulting services

Dear Richard,

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To help the City accomplish these objectives, we propose the following tasks:

1. Evaluate existing groundwater monitoring data upgradient and downgradient of the wastewater treatment facilities and the biosolids disposal areas.
2. Determine if the discharge has caused an increase in constituent concentrations at the point of compliance, as compared to background.
3. Research the adequacy, per RWQCB requirements, of the existing seven wells for the purpose of monitoring groundwater upgradient and down gradient of the wastewater treatment facilities and the reclamation and biosolids disposal areas.

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5. Prepare a report of findings for submittal to the RWQCB that includes plans and specifications for any additional wells that may be needed.

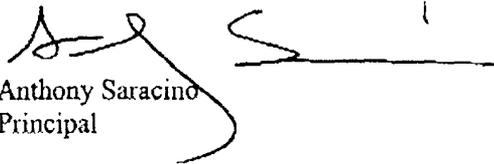
If the monitoring results reveal that the discharge has caused an increase in constituent concentrations at the point of compliance, as compared to background, the City is required to conduct a study of the extent of groundwater degradation. We would work with the City to develop a plan to evaluate the extent of degradation, in accordance with RWQCB requirements, and then implement a plan, as necessary, to mitigate the degradation.

Our estimated fee to complete the above scope of work is \$28,000. This fee is based on an estimated number of staff hours to complete the data review, analyses, and report preparation. We have not included the cost for additional monitoring wells, if necessary, since we do not yet know how many additional wells will be required. Once we have completed our preliminary evaluation, we will provide a separate cost estimate for the design and installation of additional monitoring wells.

We would bill on a time and materials basis in accordance with our attached fee schedule for the work accomplished. If this proposal is acceptable, please sign the attached agreement and return a copy as our written authorization to proceed.

We look forward to helping the City meet its water resource needs and objectives. Please call me if you have any questions regarding our proposed scope of work.

Sincerely,



Anthony Saracino
Principal

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June 1, 2000

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Re: Proposal for Consulting Services
Reclaimed Wastewater and Groundwater Recharge Program

Dear Richard,

Saracino-Kirby, Inc. is pleased to present this proposal to evaluate options for the City's reclaimed wastewater. We understand that you are considering groundwater recharge as one of those options. A number of issues will have to be addressed before designing and implementing a groundwater recharge program that utilizes reclaimed wastewater. Besides the technical, scientific and financial issues, there are significant public perception issues that arise when considering the use of reclaimed wastewater. Most Californians support greater water use efficiency and expanded use of reclaimed water, but there continues to be concerns about using the water and misunderstandings about health and safety.

We would help the City evaluate the potential to use secondary and tertiary treated wastewater for groundwater recharge, as well as address the initial public perception issues, by accomplishing the following scope of work:

1. Conduct a review and evaluation of relevant regulations pertaining to reclaimed water and groundwater recharge.
2. Evaluate local groundwater conditions with respect to recharge suitability.
3. Research available funding for projects that use reclaimed wastewater
4. Evaluate land application and other options for tertiary treated wastewater. This task will involve a number of elements, including evaluations of:

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5. Develop a comprehensive public outreach plan to educate targeted audiences and evaluate acceptance of the use of reclaimed wastewater for groundwater recharge. This task would include the following elements:
- Develop a long-term communication plan that includes a situation analysis, goals and objectives, strategies, and tactics to communicate technological advances and health and safety issues.
 - Develop a media relations strategy to implement proactive media outreach which will inform about groundwater recharge and the use of reclaimed water, educate about the issues, and inoculate against any potential “hot button” issues. The strategy will include meeting with local editorial boards and reporters, and coaching project spokespeople on key messages.
 - Research and evaluate other local reclamation projects – what were the hurdles, what worked, what didn’t, what are current public perceptions about reclaimed water use?
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- Staging of design and construction phases
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Our team for this task will include Bahman Sheikh, Ph.D., P.E. and Deen+Black, Public Relations. Dr. Sheikh has over 25 years of experience in water reuse and recycling. He has provided consultation to a variety of public and private clients, including the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the City of San Jose, and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency, where he led a study of food safety using recycled water for irrigation of vegetables.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2000-123

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING
THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT AND GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR
GROUNDWATER EVALUATION AND RECYCLED WATER
PROGRAMS AT WHITE SLOUGH WATER POLLUTION
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Saracino-Kirby Inc., for the work outlined above.

Dated: July 19, 2000

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2000-123 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held July 19, 2000 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Land, Nakanishi, Pennino and Mann (Mayor)

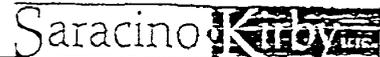
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
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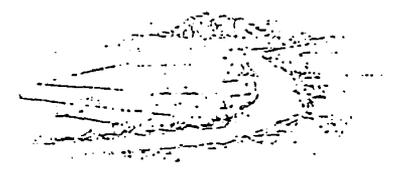
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July 13, 2000

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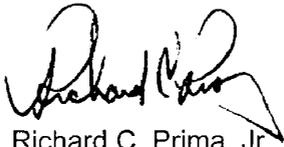
Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, July 19, 2000. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

This item is on the consent calendar and is usually not discussed unless a Council Member requests discussion. The public is given an opportunity to address items on the consent calendar at the appropriate time.

If you wish to write to the City Council, please address your letter to City Council, City of Lodi, P. O. Box 3006, Lodi, California, 95241-1910. Be sure to allow time for the mail. Or, you may hand-deliver the letter to City Hall, 221 West Pine Street.

If you wish to address the Council at the Council Meeting, be sure to fill out a speaker's card (available at the Carnegie Forum immediately prior to the start of the meeting) and give it to the City Clerk. If you have any questions about communicating with the Council, please contact Susan Blackston, City Clerk, at (209) 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item itself, please call me at (209) 333-6759.



Richard C. Prima, Jr.
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