

# **Staff Report**

TO: City Council

**FROM:** Thaxton Van Belle, Director of Water Reclamation

Kenyon Potter, Principal Engineer

**DATE** February 20, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Completion for Wastewater Treatment Plant Saltwater Mitigation

Upgrade

**Description** Notice of Completion (NOC) for Wastewater Treatment Plant Saltwater Mitigation Upgrade CIP 2017-005, located at 715 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Project).

## **Background and Analysis:**

On October 2, 2018, City Council approved a Public Works agreement with W.M. Lyles Co. (Contractor), for construction services of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Saltwater Mitigation Upgrade (CIP 2017-005).

The Project upgraded and expanded the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) to meet new basin plan requirements for the total dissolved solids (TDS) reduction, as well as expanded to accommodate growth in the service area. The advanced treatment generates brine waste which is disposed of under a permit to discharge to the Inland Empire Brine Line (IEBL) and treated at the Orange County Sanitation District Treatment Plant.

The WWTP Salt Mitigation Upgrade Project was bid and awarded as a separate contract from the Brine Disposal Pipeline Project CIP 2017-006.

The budget for the Project was \$76,334,432 with an original construction contract amount of \$53,312,000. The project had an approved contingency of \$11,624,253. As previously reported to City Council, the project had 25 change orders totaling \$9,697,984.

On September 26, 2022, based on the Contractor having reached full completion of all work except for the replacement of the MBR membrane system associated with Contract Change Order No. 23, the City made a partial retention payment in the amount of \$2,743,739,18.

On October 31, 2022, the Contractor issued a notice to the City that Final Completion was achieved on October 24, 2022, following the acceptance testing of the MBR membrane system associated with Contract Change Order No. 23.

There is a final deductive change order in the amount of \$242,169.60 representing the unused portion of Contract Change Order No. 23. The change orders were funded from the project's construction contingency allocation, with the total modified contract amount of \$62,690,453.78.

Final billing for the Project is expected to be \$400,900 which represents the final retention payment.

The Contractor completed the Project's scope of work satisfactorily per plans and specifications, and a Notice of Completion (NOC) document has been provided (Attachment A).



Figure 1 – Aerial of WWTP



Figure 2 – WWTP Membrane Building



Figure 3 – WWTP Biosolids Processing Building

## **Fiscal Impact:**

Construction cost for the Project was paid from the CIP 2017-005. The following table is a summary of the Project budget:

2017-05 Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project Accounting Summary									
Funding Summary									
Funding Year		Funding Source		Amount					
16/17		Wastewater DIF		\$7,000,000					
16/17		Recycled Water DIF		\$3,101,052					
16/17		Bond Proceeds		\$57,134,135					
16/17		Pay-Go Funds		\$3,099,000					
16/17		Bond interest		\$1,186,624					
16/17		Wastewater DIF		\$4,813,376					
Total Project Funding	\$76,334,187								
Budget Summary									
Project Component	Budget	Encumbered	Paid to Date	Remaining Budget					
Design	\$2,697,943	\$2,968,503	\$2,651,853	(\$270,560)					
Construction	\$53,910,737	\$53,910,737	\$54,201,969	0					
Contingency	\$11,624,006	\$9,761,800	\$8,952,824	\$1,862,206					
Construction Mgmt.	\$6,565,382	\$6,565,382	\$6,519,905	0					
Permits	\$324,777	\$357,989	\$107,219	(\$33,212)					
Equipment	\$252,906	\$428,935	\$425,854	(\$176,029)					
Unallocated	\$958,436	\$0	\$0	\$958,436					
Project Summary									
Totals	\$76,334,187	\$73,993,346	\$72,859,624	\$2,340,841					

Included in the construction "Paid to Date" is an approximately \$400,900 retention payment that will be issued to the Contractor no later than 35 days after the recordation of the Notice of Completion.

Staff estimates the cost to prepare this report at \$400.

### **Recommended Action:**

Authorize the Mayor to execute a Notice of Completion for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Salt Mitigation Project.

### **Attachments:**

A.	. Notice of Completion for Wastewater Treatment Plant Salt Mitigation Project (2017-005).						