



Agenda Item # \_\_\_\_\_

# Staff Report

## City of Manhattan Beach

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Fahey and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:** Geoff Dolan, City Manager

**FROM:** Neil C. Miller, Director of Public Works  
Dana Greenwood, City Engineer

**DATE:** August 2, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Rescind Award of Engineering Services Contract to Boyle Engineering Corporation and Award an Engineering Services Contract to Brockmeier Consulting Engineers, Inc. for the Water/Sewer/Storm Drain Control Conversion Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$512,690

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council pass a motion to:

- a) Rescind the award of an engineering services contract to Boyle Engineering Corporation for the Water/Sewer/Storm Drain Control Conversion Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$535,179.
- b) Award an Engineering Services Contract to Brockmeier Consulting Engineers, Inc. for the Water/Sewer/Storm Drain Control Conversion Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$512,690.
- c) Authorize the Director of Public Works to approve additional work in an amount not-to-exceed \$50,000, if required.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATION:**

As noted in the July 5<sup>th</sup> Council report that recommended award of the original engineering services contract to Boyle Engineering Corporation, funds in the amount of \$500,000 are included in the current Capital Improvement Program budget for this project. Also at the July 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, a supplemental appropriation of \$36,000 from the Water Fund Reserves was approved to fund design, programming and installation of the hardware. Since the new recommended design contract is for \$512,690, no additional funds will be required at this time.

### **DISCUSSION:**

At the July 5, City Council meeting, City Council awarded an engineering services contract to

Boyle Engineering Corporation for the Water/Sewer/Storm Drain Control Conversion Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$535,179. Staff immediately sent three copies of the City's standard contract for the subject project to Boyle Engineering Corporation. Boyle Engineering Corporation subsequently notified City staff that they were not willing to execute the City's standard contract. They felt that the City should be contracting with Systems Integrated, who the City viewed as a sub-consultant. Also, they cited reluctance on the part of their insurance carrier to provide the necessary insurance coverage.

Staff had selected the Boyle/Systems Integrated team and recommended awarding of the contract to Boyle Engineering based on the strength of their project team and their project manager, in particular. It now appears that Boyle's project manager will be taking more of a junior role in the overall project and that Systems Integrated would be taking the lead. City staff felt then that their proposal was misleading and based on this reversal of roles and their refusal to execute the contract, staff is recommending that award of the original contract be rescinded. Consequently, staff is recommending that Brockmeier Consulting Engineers in association with Value Engineering be selected as the consultant to proceed with this project. In discussions with Brockmeier Consulting Engineers, they have indicated a willingness to execute our standard contract and provide the required insurance.

Brockmeier Consulting Engineers, Inc. is located in the City of Santa Monica. Value Engineering, which is proposing in association with Brockmeier Consulting Engineers would do the hardware fabrication and installation. Value Engineering is headquartered in Oceanside, California, so both firms are relatively local, which should facilitate coordination of effort. Value Engineering also provided the computer hardware fabrication and installation for the first phase of the system conversion project, so they are familiar with the City's water system. Finally, the key individual at Value Engineering that will oversee the hardware fabrication, hardware installation, and programming is also a registered mechanical engineer. Staff feels that this may be beneficial in evaluating programming/valve/pump issues that may arise.

***Additional Work Authority***

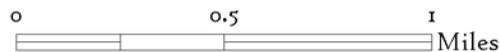
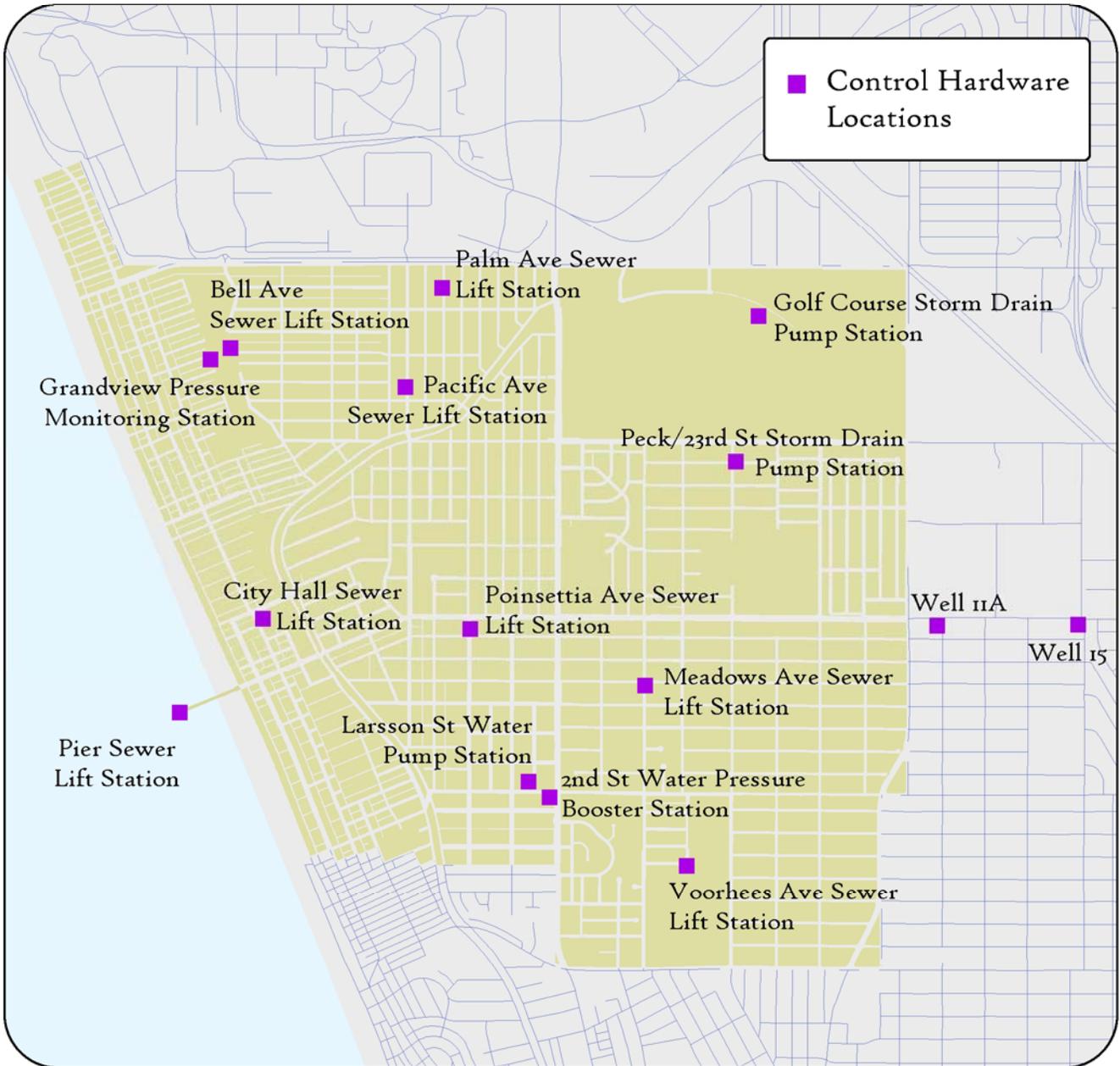
The July 5, 2005 Council actions also authorized the Director of Public Works to approve additional work in an amount not-to-exceed \$50,000. Staff is recommending that this same authorization be granted to the Director of Public Works in conjunction with this new engineering services contract (in an amount not-to-exceed \$50,000). If the contingency is approved with this award, the Director of Public Works will report the status of any additional work to Council at the end of the project and make a recommendation to approve a supplemental appropriation, if necessary.

Attachment: a) Award of Contract Council Report from July 5, 2005  
b) GIS map

xc: Henry Mitzner, Controller  
Clarence Van Corbach, Utilities Manager  
Bob Erikson, Water Supervisor  
John Haig, Senior Water Plant Operator

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