



**Contract and Award Letter
Purchase Resolution – Exhibit “A”**

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
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COPY: City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Stan Rowden II, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: 2023A Wastewater & Stormwater On-Call Open-Cut Sewer Repair - Rebid Request for Bids Specification No. ES23-0014F, Contract No. CW2256521 – December 10, 2024, City Council
DATE: November 11, 2024

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RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY: Environmental Services (ES) Department requests approval to increase and extend Contract No. CW2256521, with Northwest Cascade, Inc., Puyallup, Washington, by \$400,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the ES Wastewater Fund 4300 and ES Stormwater Fund 4301, for repairs to wastewater and stormwater mains on an as-needed basis in various locations throughout the city, extending the contract from March 13, 2025 to December 31, 2025, for a cumulative total of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

A reduced risk of wastewater overflows and stormwater flooding represents an improvement to human health and the environment.

BACKGROUND: Throughout the City of Tacoma, there are aging underground wastewater and stormwater pipes that frequently experience localized failures. ES crews are generally able to manage and repair these localized failures. At times, the frequency and volume of failures exceeds the crew’s capacity to perform the repairs in a timely manner which can lead to localized flooding and wastewater sewer overflows in buildings, streets, and potentially the Puget Sound. This contract will supplement the efforts of the City crews to repair these localized failures of wastewater and stormwater pipes.

ISSUE: ES has experienced an unusually high number of repairs needed since the execution of this contract, several of which are more expensive than the average due to complexity of the repairs and required surface restoration. ES is requesting to add additional funds to this contract and extend the expiration date to allow for continued urgent repairs while ES works on procuring a new contract for this work.

ALTERNATIVES: The alternative to this contract would be to continue to repair these failures utilizing City repair crews only. The results would be a decrease in the level of service for customers, potential for untreated wastewater to overflow into the Puget Sound, and increased stormwater flooding.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION: This contract was competitively bid with a Request for Bid Specification No. ES23-0014F in April 2023. Northwest Cascade, Inc. was the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.



CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to Northwest Cascade, Inc. via Resolution No. 41168 on April 11, 2023, in the amount of \$600,000, plus applicable taxes, with an expiration date of March 25, 2024. In March 2024, this contract was extended through March 13, 2025.

SUSTAINABILITY: Repairing localized failures of the existing wastewater and stormwater pipes will reduce the potential for discharge of untreated wastewater into the Puget Sound or onto neighboring properties and decrease stormwater flooding resulting in positive environmental impacts.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: The EIC requirements for this project are MBE three percent, WBE two percent, and SBE five percent.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: The LEAP requirement for this project is 15 percent of the project labor hours must be worked by Local Employees, per TMC 1.90.040.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4300 ES Wastewater Fund	ENV-04018-11-04	5330100	\$340,000
4301 ES Stormwater Fund	ENV-03027-18-04	5330100	60,000
TOTAL			Up to \$400,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4300 ES Wastewater Fund	ENV-04018-11-04	5330100	(\$340,000)
4301 ES Stormwater Fund	ENV-03027-18-04	5330100	(\$60,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$400,000)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$400,000, plus applicable taxes.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A