

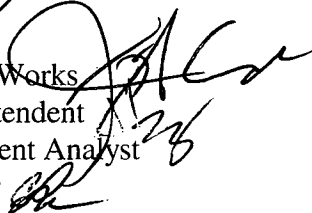


Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Montgomery and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager 

FROM: Jim A. Arndt, Director of Public Works
 Juan Price, Maintenance Superintendent
 Carmen Zarate, Senior Management Analyst
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DATE: October 21, 2008

SUBJECT: Award a Contract (\$42,245.00) Vapor Recovery Retrofit – City of Manhattan Beach Corporate Yard to Fleming Environmental Incorporated.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council pass a motion to award a contract for the Vapor Recovery Retrofit – City of Manhattan Beach Corporate Yard to Fleming Environmental Incorporated in the net amount of \$42,245.00

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

Sufficient funds for this project are available in the fiscal year 2008-2009 Public Works Fleet budget.

BACKGROUND:

Staff is seeking Council Approval for upgrading the current Phase I Vapor Recovery System to a Phase II Vapor Recovery System per requirements of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 461.

As part of the City fueling infrastructure, we currently own and maintain three Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) which are located at the Public Works facility. There are two 10,000 gallon gasoline and one 4,000 diesel tanks. Mandated by the SCAQMD, all gasoline transfer and dispensing facilities (GDFs) are required to upgrade the current Phase I Vapor Recovery Systems to Phase II Enhanced Vapor Recovery Systems per AQMD Rule 461. To meet the requirements, the City must have a contractor assigned for the project and materials ordered by October 2008 with final installation completed by April 2009. Failure to comply may subject the City to fines and eventual closure of the fueling facility.

DISCUSSION:

AQMD Rule 461 was adopted to regulate gasoline vapor emissions into the atmosphere from Gasoline Transfer and Dispensing facilities (GDFs). The rule has been amended 17 times to

enhance the effectiveness of vapor recovery systems. The AQMD collaborates with California Air resources Board (CARB) to develop two systems which are CARB approved. Both AQMD and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are the Regulatory and Enforcement Agencies for UST compliance. Fines will be imposed and can be as high as \$25,000 dollars per day if the Enhanced Recovery System is not installed and operational by April 2009. Phase II Vapor Recovery System (EVR) rule 461 ensures that the air quality benefits associated with EVR systems in reducing the Volatile Organic compounds (VOC) emissions and toxics (Benzene) from Gasoline Dispensing Facilities (GDFs) help reduce global warming and improve Air Quality. This is accomplished by capturing the vapor from the fuel tank and nozzle during refueling and returning the vapor to the UST and not the atmosphere.

Bid Proposals

The project was advertised for bids in accordance with the City's standard operating procedures. Bid advertising information was provided to the publisher of record. Specifications were provided to one contractor. A total of one competitive bid was received and opened on September 23, 2008. The bid amount was \$42,245.00. Fleming Environmental Incorporated bid was reviewed by the Public Works Department and found to be responsive and in conformance with prevailing wages.

No contractors were eliminated due to contract non-compliance.

Representatives of cities where work has been performed by Fleming Environmental Incorporated have indicated that the work performed was to their satisfaction. The project was discussed with a representative of the firm and he expressed confidence in his bid and a desire to perform the work.

CONCLUSION

Staff recommends approving the Vapor Recovery Retrofit-City of Manhattan Beach Corporate Yard contract to Fleming Environmental Incorporated. The bid proposal provides a complete package that will deliver the appropriate retrofit work consistent with the expectations of the contract.

ALTERNATIVES

The alternatives to the staff recommendation include:

- A) Approve the award of a contract for the Vapor Recovery Retrofit-City of Manhattan Beach Corporate Yard to Fleming Environmental Incorporated.
- B) Provide other direction

cc: Henry Mitzner, Controller
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