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Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Cohen and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Bruce Moe, Finance Director
Gwen Eng, General Services Manager

DATE: March 17, 2009

SUBJECT: Consideration of Ratification of Emergency Water Pump Motor Repair Expenses in the Amount of \$36,000

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council: a) waive formal bidding per Municipal Code Section 2.36.120 Emergency Procurement, b) ratify a purchase order to Sun-Star Electric in the amount of \$20,861.94 for the purchase of one motor for a water pump located at Peck Reservoir, and c) ratify the procurement of pump repairs (Vaughan's Industrial Repair) in the amount of \$15,138.06.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

Sufficient funds are available in this year's budget for this emergency repair.

DISCUSSION:

The City operates four pumps with variable frequency drives at Peck Reservoir. Recently, there has been a problem with one of the pumps, causing a motor to fail. This has led to the inability to operate at optimum capacity in an emergency and jeopardizes the City's ability to meet normal demand should another pump also fail.

Due to the immediate need, staff proceeded with the purchase of parts and labor to repair the pump motor and is now seeking Council ratification for the expenditure. Sufficient funds are available in the Water Fund to effect the purchase.