



Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Ward and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Richard Thompson, Interim City Manager

FROM: Jim Arndt, Public Works Director
 Bruce Moe, Finance Director
 Gwen Eng, General Services Manager
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DATE: January 19, 2010

SUBJECT: Consideration of Award of a Three-Year Contract to Measurement Control Systems for a Water Meter Supply Contract (Estimated Annual Value of \$133,645)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council award RFP #793-10 to Measurement Control Systems for a three-year water meter supply contract (estimated annual value of \$133,645).

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

Sufficient funds are budgeted in the Public Works Department for on-going water meter purchases.

DISCUSSION:

There are approximately 13,000 commercial and residential water meters located throughout the City. Most of the City's water meters are approaching, or have exceeded their 10-year useful life. As a component of water infrastructure replacement, the Public Works Department has begun a ten year program that will involve replacement of approximately 1,300 water meters per year. The water meter replacement program will increase accurate measure of consumed water. Additionally, water meters are sold to contractors for new construction projects. As a result, maintaining a contract for meters is a cost effective and efficient way to meet these needs.

Bid Recaps

Staff solicited proposals and received three responses. A summary of pricing offered by each vendor is shown below:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Annual Bid Total</u>
1. Measurement Control Systems	\$133,645
2. Aqua Metric	\$135,304
3. Ferguson Waterworks	\$142,634

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The award selection is based on several factors: meters that meet performance requirements, ability to provide a steady supply of replacement meters, and pricing. Measurement Control Systems met all criteria and is also the lowest bidder. If approved, the contract will be in the form of a purchase order and the City may cancel the contract at any time without cause if necessary.