



Agenda Item # _____

Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Tell and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Bruce Moe, Finance Director
Neil Miller, Director of Public Works
Gwen Eng, General Services Manager
Clarence Van Corbach, Utilities Manager

DATE: November 21, 2006

SUBJECT: Award of Sewer Line Video Inspection Services to Covenant Pipeline in the amount of \$26,691.56

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council award RFP #700-07 to Covenant Pipeline to provide sewer line video inspection services in the amount of \$26,691.56.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

Funds totaling \$100,000 were budgeted in Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Public Works budget for meeting the new Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) for sanitary sewer systems. Part of that mandate requires developing and implementing a sewer system management plan including sewer line inspection services and flow testing.

DISCUSSION:

The State Water Resources Control Board has mandated that all agencies that own or operate sanitary sewer systems comply with Order No. 2006-0003, which requires a Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP). This plan must include provisions to provide proper and efficient management, operation, and maintenance of sanitary sewer systems, a part of which requires developing a rehabilitation and replacement plan to identify and prioritize system deficiencies so that rehabilitation actions can be scheduled. To achieve this requires both visual and TV inspections of manholes and sewer pipes in order to determine their condition. This project is above and beyond the time capacity of City crews to handle with their ongoing operational responsibilities. Staff concluded that outsourcing this project to a contractor, who has the expertise, knowledge, staffing, and equipment necessary, would be the most efficient way to execute this task.

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

<u>Company</u>	<u>Cost</u>
1. Covenant Pipeline	\$26,691.56
2. Provision Engineering	\$34,713.20
3. Professional Pipe Services	\$36,648.14
4. Industrial Services Group	\$38,487.80
5. Performance Pipeline Tech	\$47,295.20
6. National Plant Services	\$59,877.20
7. Advanced Sewer Tech	\$65,206.10
8. Houston & Harris	\$76,625.45
9. Westco Infrastructure	No bid

Because this is a professional services contract, vendor selection is based upon many factors: prior experience, expertise, equipment, quality control, warranty, references, and cost. Covenant Pipeline offered the lowest pricing and met all specifications and requirements. Therefore, staff recommends that Council award them a contract in the amount of \$26,691.56. If approved, the contract will be in the form of a purchase order. In addition, the City may cancel the contract at any time without cause if necessary. Staff will return to Council, if necessary, for the award of the other components of the WDR, which will require the remaining budgeted funds.