



# Staff Report

## City of Manhattan Beach

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Tell and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:** Geoff Dolan, City Manager

**FROM:** Neil C. Miller, Director of Public Works  
Dana Greenwood, City Engineer

**DATE:** October 17, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Award a Contract (\$974,380.00) for the Peck Reservoir Blending Line Project to John T. Malloy, Inc.

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council pass a motion to:

- a) Award a contract in the net amount \$974,380.00 for the Peck Reservoir Blending Line Project to John T. Malloy, Inc.
- b) Authorize the Director of Public Works to approve additional work in an amount not-to-exceed \$98,000, if required.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATION:**

The Capital Improvement Program budget includes \$1,100,000 for this project. \$103,732 will be spent on consultant services (design and construction engineering support), leaving \$996,268 available for construction.

### **DISCUSSION:**

#### **Background**

In accordance with regulations set by the State Department of Health and Safety (DHS), the City must blend its well water with the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) water that the City receives to stay below maximum allowable levels for manganese and iron. These recommended levels for manganese and iron are set with taste and clarity concerns in mind and do not pose a health risk to the public. Currently, the City's two wells (located on Manhattan Beach Boulevard in Redondo Beach) run to the Block 35 reservoir located at Peck and Eighth Street. The reservoir at Block 35 is not of sufficient size to accomplish this procedure in the event that the City has to run both wells simultaneously. By running a new line from the wells to Peck Reservoir the City will be able to continue to meet DHS requirements as well as improve our ability to meet water needs in the event of an outage from MWD.

**Environmental Review**

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, an initial assessment was conducted. Consequently, a negative declaration was prepared and a Notice of Determination was filed with the County Clerk.

**Bid Proposals**

This project was advertised for bids in six construction industry publications. Subsequently, 29 sets of plans and specifications were provided to contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers. A total of seven competitive bids were received and opened on October 4, 2006. The bids ranged from the low bid of \$974,380.00 by John T. Malloy, Inc. to the highest bid of \$1,261,119.28. John T. Malloy, Inc.'s bid was reviewed by the Public Works Department and found to be responsive and in conformance with prevailing construction prices.

Representatives of agencies where work has been performed by John T. Malloy, Inc. have indicated that the work performed was to their satisfaction. In addition, John T. Malloy, Inc. previously completed the 2003-04 Water Main Replacement Project to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department.

The project was discussed with a representative of the firm and he expressed confidence in his bid and a desire to perform the work.

**Additional Work Authority**

Authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve additional work in an amount not-to-exceed \$98,000 could expedite construction of this project. Projects of this magnitude could encounter unknown soil conditions, utility conflicts, or pavement thickness. This could result in additional excavation quantities, pavement removal quantities, or base/asphalt pavement installed. If the contingency is approved with this award, the Director of Public Works will report the status of any additional work to Council at the end of the project and recommend approval of a supplemental appropriation (if necessary) at that time.

Attachment: GIS Map

xc: Henry Mitzner, Controller

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