

BOARD PACKET

For the Regular Board Meeting of

Thursday, May 27, 2021

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MINUTES

For the Regular Meeting of the Board on:

May 13, 2021

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a regular meeting at 1:30 pm on Thursday, May 13, 2021 using Zoom teleconferencing in accordance with the State Executive Order No. N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

President Dorinne Lee Johnson, Vice President Woody Barrett, Director Gary Fuller, Secretary Dana Newquist

Board Members Absent: Treasurer Don Eversoll

Also Present and Participating:

Tony Wong, P.E. Kimley-Horn, MSD Interim General Manager Carrie Poytress, MSD Engineering Manager Elizabeth (Betsy) A. Byrne, MSD District Administrator Ricardo Larroude, MSD Collections & Maintenance Supervisor Mark Manion, Price Postel & Parma Jeff Kerns Ken, Montecito Resident Bob Hazard, Montecito Resident Alison Thompson Local Resident

2. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>

None.

3. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Fuller, the Board voted to approve the minutes from Board Meetings held on April 8th, April 20th, and April 27th, 2021.

AYES:	Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and Johnson
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Director Eversoll

4. <u>APPROVAL OF PAYABLES</u>

The Finance Committee met in advance of the regular board meeting and reviewed payables.

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Barrett, the board voted to approve the payables list for expenses incurred by the District between April 1, 2021 and April 30, 2021.

Accounts Payable Expenses	239,225.24
Capital Improvement Projects	167,427.42
Payroll and Related Expenses	151,200.45
Total Expenses	557,853.11

Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and Johnson
None
None
Director Eversoll

5. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

A. <u>RECYCLED WATER PRELIMINARY DESIGN REPORT AND 30%</u> <u>DESIGN</u>

ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Second by Director Newquist, the Board voted to reject all responses to the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Recycled Water Preliminary Design Report And 30% Design.

AYES:	Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and Johnson
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Director Eversoll

6. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. ORDINANCE NO. 18 – REPEALING ORDINANCE 16 UPCCAA

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Barrett, the Board voted to adopt Ordinance No. 18 Repealing Ordinance No. 16 and electing to withdraw from the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act.

Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and Johnson
None
None
Director Eversoll

B. ORGANIZATIONAL DECISIONS (AGENDA ITEM C)

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Fuller, the Board voted to amend the start time of the Regular meetings of the Board from 1:30 pm to 2:00 pm and add a second regular meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month.

AYES:Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and JohnsonNAYS:NoneABSTAIN:NoneABSENT:Director Eversoll

C. HOT SPRINGS ROAD COUNTY PROJECT

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Fuller, the Board voted to award a contract to Tierra Contracting for the manhole adjustments required by the County on Hot Springs Road.

AYES:Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and JohnsonNAYS:NoneABSTAIN:NoneABSENT:Director Eversoll

D. LATERAL REBATE PROGRAM POLICY

No Action. District General Counsel Mark Manion stated that his advice remains as issued in 2005 memo, which illustrates the potential violation of Government Code Section 1090 if a Director were to participate in any contract made by the Board in their official capacity. Counsel advised that if a Director wished to ignore his 2005 advice, such Director should request an opinion of the FPPC (California Fair Political Practices Commission).

7. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

The Board heard reports of the following Committee Meetings:

- i) **Joint Strategic Planning Committee (with Montecito Water District),** Directors Barrett and Johnson, from its April 15th meeting.
- ii) Finance Committee Meeting of May 4th, Directors Eversoll and Barrett.
 - 1. O&M Budget vs Actual Expenditures
 - 2. CIP Status Report
 - 3. Quarterly Investment Activity
 - 4. Quarterly Investment Certification

ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Second by Director Newquist, the Board voted to accept quarterly financial statements as presented for the period ending March 31, 2021.

AYES:Directors Barrett, Fuller, Newquist and JohnsonNAYS:NoneABSTAIN:NoneABSENT:Director Eversoll

8. DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

A. INFORMATION ITEMS

Interim General Manager Tony Wong P.E., provided informational, nonactionable, updates regarding matters before the District.

B. <u>AGREEMENTS TO BE SIGNED</u>

Board President Johnson will arrange a time to meet at the District to sign the following Homeowner agreements on behalf of the District:

- i) 2810 Sycamore Canyon Road, Sewer Service Agreement for detached exercise room
- ii) 790 Rockbridge Road, Pump Variance Agreement and Sewer Service Agreement for Pool Cabana
- iii) 321 Hot Springs Road, License Agreement for easement encroachments
- iv) 1970 East Valley Road, Sewer Service Agreement for Pool Cabana
- v) 685 Stonehouse Lane, Sewer Service Agreement for Guesthouse.

9. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

The Board of Directors conducted a closed session related to Labor Negotiations for the recruitment of a General Manager. No Reportable Action as a result of closed session.

10. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

The next regular meeting of the Board will be on May 27, 2021 at 2:00 pm and the Agenda shall include the topic(s) of:

- The Highway 101 Sewer Main Relocation Project
- Lilac & Oak Grove Sewer Main Extension Project
- An Ordinance regarding sewer main extension costs on County Tax Roll
- Committee Report of A&O Committee meeting of April 22, 2021
- Committee Report of Finance Committee meeting of May 4, 2021
- The ability of the Permanent General Manager to promote and increase staff salaries.
- Staff was directed to schedule a meeting of the Personnel Committee after May 27

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:08 pm ON MOTION by Director Newquist, second by Director Barrett.

Dorinne Lee Johnson, President

Ellwood T. Barrett II, Vice President

Dana Newquist, Secretary

Donald M. Eversoll, Treasurer

Gary Fuller, Director



BOARD LIST OF PAYABLES

CHECK DATE	SUMMARY & TYPE	BATCH TOTAL
05/07/2021	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	95,780.92
05/21/2021	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	58,821.25
	Subtotal	154,602.17
05/07/2021	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	20,754.45
05/21/2021	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	168,127.25
	Subtotal	188,881.70
05/06/2021	PAYROLL	78,485.60
05/20/2021	PAYROLL	72,830.14
	Subtotal	151,315.74
	TOTAL	\$ 494,799.61

Approved for Payment:

Date: May 27, 2021 Amount: **\$ 494,799.61**

General Manager

Treasurer

Director

Check History Report Sorted By Check Number Activity From: 5/7/2021 to 5/7/2021 MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT (MSD)

Check	Check		Cheo
Number	Date	Name	Αποι
026523	5/7/2021	AT&T MOBILITY	
026524	5/7/2021	AUTOZONE, INC	
026525	5/7/2021	BIG GREEN CLEANING COMPANY	1,7
026526	5/7/2021	BOYD & ASSOCIATES	1
026527	5/7/2021	BUTTERFLY LANE CONDOMINIUM HOA	10,3
026528	5/7/2021	ELIZABETH BYRNE	4
026529	5/7/2021	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC	2
026530	5/7/2021	CED ROYAL INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS	1
026531	5/7/2021	COMPUVISION COMMUNICATIONS	8
026532	5/7/2021	CROMER MATERIAL HANDLING	7
026533	5/7/2021	CALIFORNIA WATER ENVIRONMENT	5
026534	5/7/2021	D & H WATER SYSTEMS	1,2
026535	5/7/2021	DOCU PRODUCTS	
026536	5/7/2021	ENVIRONMENTAL EXPRESS, INC	g
026537	5/7/2021	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #1083	1,1
026538	5/7/2021	FILIPPIN ENGINEERING	1
026539	5/7/2021	FISHER SCIENTIFIC	1,8
026540	5/7/2021	FRONTIER	3
026541	5/7/2021	GRAINGER	1,0
026542	5/7/2021	HACH COMPANY	3
026543	5/7/2021	MARICEL HINES	2,0
026544	5/7/2021	JOY EQUIPMENT PROTECTION, INC	5
026545	5/7/2021	KAMAN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES	1,5
026546	5/7/2021	KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC	28,4
026547	5/7/2021	MARBORG INDUSTRIES	2,5
026548	5/7/2021	MCCORMIX CORP	7
026549	5/7/2021	MCMASTER-CARR SUPPLY COMPANY	4
026550	5/7/2021	MARY M. MOONEY	2,0
026551	5/7/2021	OILFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL & COMPLIANCE	1,4
026552	5/7/2021	PAYCHEX OF NEW YORK, LLC	2
026553	5/7/2021	PERRY FORD	1
026554	5/7/2021	PLUMBERS DEPOT, INC	1,6
026555	5/7/2021	PURETEC INDUSTRIAL WATER	, -
026556	5/7/2021	RINGCENTRAL, INC.	5
026557	5/7/2021	SAFEGUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS	
026558	5/7/2021	SAFETY-KLEEN SYSTEMS, INC	2
026559	5/7/2021	SANTA BARBARA LOCKSMITHS, INC	
026560	5/7/2021	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON CO	12,6
026561	5/7/2021	JEFFREY SCHNEIDER	2,3
026562	5/7/2021	SIEMENS INDUSTRY, INC	1,1
026563	5/7/2021	STREAMLINE	
026564	5/7/2021	TAFT ELECTRIC COMPANY	2,7
026565	5/7/2021	T-MOBILE	_,.
026566	5/7/2021	TOTAL COMPENSATION SYSTEMS	1,3
026567	5/7/2021	UNION BANK	4
026568	5/7/2021	UNION BANK	1,5
026569	5/7/2021	UNIVAR SOLUTIONS	7,2
026570	5/7/2021	UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT	, , <u>,</u> 1
026571	5/7/2021	USA BLUE BOOK	6
020071	5,,,2021		95,7
		Bank B Total:	
		Report Total	95.7

Check	
Amount	Description
23.24	Wireless Data Port-April
23.90	Parts for Chevy Colorado, Unit #9
1,784.00	Janitorial Services-May
125.00	Service Call for Alarm System
10,350.00	Deposit Refund for 85, 87 & 89 Butterfly Lane
490.00	Reimbursement for Training Charged to Credit Card
272.61	Canon Copier Lease Payment-May
139.05	RAS Relays for Operations
841.50	BitDefender Annual Antivirus Renewal
725.36	Forklift Lease Payment-April
586.00	Staff Certification/Membership Renewals
1,258.38	Spare Parts for Analyzers
62.33	Copier Maintenance Agreement-May
956.35	Lab Testing Supplies
1,100.62	Couplings for Lift Station 4
147.00	525 Hot Springs Road Sewer Main Relocation Inspection
1,814.07	Laboratory Oven
302.87	Phone Services for Operations Alarms, Fax, Gate-May
1,024.71	Fire Extinguisher, Spare Sample Pump, Radio Microphone
366.81	Analyzer Chemicals
2,000.00	Lateral Replacement Rebate - 89 Butterfly Lane
585.12	3 new Extinguishers and Fire Extingusher Servicing
1,575.18	UF/RO Bag Filter Pump, Spare Sample Pump
28,485.44	Interim GM Consulting Services-April
2,580.08	Restroom Trailer Lease Payment-April
724.88	Vehicle Fuel 04/15-04/30/21
406.84	Full Face Respirators
2,000.00	Lateral Replacement Rebate - 85 Butterfly Lane
1,440.00	Outside Lab Analysis for UF/RO 04/22 & 04/29
279.55	Payroll Services - April
143.09	Repair Parts for Ford F350, Unit #7
1.638.54	CCTV Transporter Repair
53.44	Water Softener Sodium Tank Exchange
533.68	Office Phones-April
59.67	Deposit Books
217.55	Hazardous Materials Disposal
10.60	Copy of District keys
12,668.52	Electric Service-April
2,300.00	Deposit Refund-808 San Ysidro Lane
1,123.39	Level Transducer for Lift Station 4
310.00	Website Hosting-April
2,742.00	Electrical Fire Repair Work, On-Call Electrical for Lift Station
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20.00 1,350.00	Wireless Port for UF/RO-April GASB Full Valuation
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499.72	Annual Zoom Fees, Operator Training
1,563.43	Operator Training, Microsoft Teams, Retirement Luncheon Plant Chemicals
7,288.48	
184.71	74 Dig Alert Tickets, State Regulatory Fee-April
603.21	Distribution Pump for UF/RO
95,780.92	

Report Total: 95,780.92

Check History Report Sorted By Check Number Activity From: 5/21/2021 to 5/21/2021 MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT (MSD)

Bank B OPERATING CASH (MBT)

Check	Check		Check	
Number	Date	Name	Amount	Description
026572	5/21/2021	AT&T MOBILITY	101.62	Wireless Service for Lift Station 4, Standby Phone
026573	5/21/2021	ANDREW BROEREN (or) BRIGIT KLEIN	4,300.00	Deposit Refund, Lateral Rebate-1409 School House
026575	5/21/2021	MIRIAM IRETON	2,000.00	Lateral Replacement Rebate-1380 Virginia Road
026576	5/21/2021	CINTAS CORPORATION #684	1,016.34	Uniform,Towels,Floor Mats-Cleaning/Rental-April
026577	5/21/2021	COMPUVISION COMMUNICATIONS	3,363.75	IT Services-April / Cloud Backup,NetAlert-June
026578	5/21/2021	CORT	44.00	Deed Report-April
026579	5/21/2021	COX BUSINESS	160.39	Internet Wireless Service-May
026580	5/21/2021	CROMER MATERIAL HANDLING	725.36	Forklift Lease Payment-May
026581	5/21/2021	CULLIGAN OF VENTURA COUNTY	130.69	Bottled Drinking Water/Dispenser Rental-April
026582	5/21/2021	ENGEL & GRAY, INC	4,977.65	Biosolids Hauling-April
026583	5/21/2021	FILIPPIN ENGINEERING	4,299.75	525 Hot Springs Sewer Main Relocation Inspections
026584	5/21/2021	FISHER SCIENTIFIC	599.75	Lab Testing Supplies
026585	5/21/2021	FRONTIER	266.91	Phone Service for Lift Station's 1,2,4,5-May
026586	5/21/2021	GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION	490.00	Local Government Budgeting Training-Byrne
026587	5/21/2021	GRAINGER	1,334.07	Feed Pump for UF/RO, Plant Maintenance Materials
026588	5/21/2021	H2O INNOVATION USA	781.09	UF/RO Chemicals
026589	5/21/2021	IDEXX DISTRIBUTION, INC	892.01	Lab Testing Supplies
026590	5/21/2021	JMPE ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING	12,800.00	Electrical Design Professional Services
026591	5/21/2021	DAVID (or) JULIE LUMLEY	2,000.00	Lateral Replacement Rebate-1174 Glenview Road
026592	5/21/2021	MARBORG INDUSTRIES	686.74	Refuse Disposal/Recycling-April
026593	5/21/2021	MCCORMIX CORP	896.25	Vehicle Fuel 05/01-05/15/21
026595	5/21/2021	MONTECITO WATER DISTRICT	827.09	Water Service-April
026596	5/21/2021	MONTECITO WATER DISTRICT	496.41	Vac-Con, Small Jetter Water Usage-March/April
026597	5/21/2021	OILFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL & COMPLIANCE	902.00	Outside Lab Analyses for UF/RO & Lab-May
026598	5/21/2021	PAUL ORFALEA	4,300.00	Deposit Refund, Lateral Rebate-644 Buena Vista Ave
026599	5/21/2021	PERRY FORD	514.08	Power Cable for Ford F350, Unit #7
026600	5/21/2021	PLUMBERS DEPOT, INC	149.20	Sewer Nozzle Inserts
026601	5/21/2021	PURETEC INDUSTRIAL WATER	253.73	Water Softener Quarterly Tank Rental
026602	5/21/2021	SIEMENS INDUSTRY, INC	1,113.06	Spare Transducer for Lift Stations
026603	5/21/2021	SOCAL GAS	305.78	Gas Service-April
026604	5/21/2021	PETER (or) SUSAN TORTORICI	2,000.00	Lateral Replacement Rebate-2158 Birnam Wood
026605	5/21/2021	UNIVAR SOLUTIONS	5,824.78	Plant Chemicals
026606	5/21/2021	WALPOLE & COMPANY	268.75	Accounting Consulting Services-April
		Bank B Total:	58,821.25	
		Report Total:	58,821.25	

CIP Check History Report Sorted By Check Number Activity From: 5/7/2021 to 5/7/2021 MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT (MSD)

Check Number	Check Date	Name	Check Amount	Description
001283 001284	5/7/2021 5/7/2021	FILIPPIN ENGINEERING TAFT ELECTRIC COMPANY	20,106.45 648.00	CIP 9-Inspection Services for Riven Rock/Romero Canyon CIP 10-Install Wiring for UF/RO Bag Filter Motor, Float Level
		Bank G Total:	20,754.45	
		Report Total:	20,754.45	

CIP Check History Report Sorted By Check Number Activity From: 5/21/2021 to 5/21/2021 MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT (MSD)

Bank Check Number	Check Date	Name	Check Amount	Description
001285	5/21/2021	FILIPPIN ENGINEERING	4,255.65	CIP No. 9-Riven Rock Sewer Main Ext. Inspections
001286	5/21/2021	STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES INC.	6,998.00	CIP No. 9-Property Surveying for Ashley Road Lift Station
001287	5/21/2021	TIERRA CONTRACTING INC	156,873.60	CIP No. 9-Romero Canyon Sewer Main Ext. Construction
		 Bank G Total:	168,127.25	
		Report Total:	168,127.25	



MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT- ITEM 6A

Date:	May 27, 2021
TO:	Board of Directors
FROM:	Tony Wong, Interim General Manager
PREPARED BY:	Carrie Poytress, Engineering Manager
SUBJECT:	Caltrans Highway 101 HOV Project
SUMMARY:	The Caltrans Highway 101 HOV Project proposed bridge footings at Oak Creek will interfere with the existing MSD 12" VCP gravity sewer main and two 6" cast iron pipe force mains that cross Highway 101. Caltrans requires that the MSD pipelines be relocated prior to starting their work.
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Recommendation – THEREFORE, STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT

1. The Board of Directors approve a contract for engineering design services to Flowers & Associates.

Fiscal Impact – Design Services for \$177,806; construction costs will be estimated as part of the design project.

Public Notice – No notice required for this design phase.

Previous Related Action – Under direction of the Interim General Manager, District staff issued a request for proposal (RFP) for the sewer main crossing relocation on March 12, 2021. Staff received three proposals on April 2, 2021. On April 8, 2021 the Board authorized staff to negotiate a contract with the most qualified firm for engineering design services.

Consultant	Interim GM Ranking
Flowers & Associates	1
Stantec Consulting	2
MNS Engineers	3

Goals and Objectives – To meet the Caltrans requirement to relocate the existing sewer main to not interfere with the proposed Oak Creek Bridge.

Environmental Determination – Categorically exempt by CEQA.

Analysis – Justifications: On April 23, 2021 the District received a relocation claim letter from the Caltrans utility coordinator. The existing 12" VCP sewer main from N. Jameson crosses Highway 101 to Posilipo Lane and connects to the Posilipo Lift Station. The 12" VCP gravity sewer main is the only pipe that collects sewage from the eastern portion of the District. This existing sewer main is in conflict with the Caltrans Highway HOV proposed bridge footings at Oak Creek and Caltrans is requiring the District to relocate the sewer main at MSD's expense. In addition, the two existing 6" cast iron pipe force mains from the Posilipo Lift Station are also in conflict with the proposed bridge, but these force mains can be demolished at any time as they are currently redundant. Furthermore, the District is looking to reduce the sewage flow to the Posilipo Lift Station that is adjacent to the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. The Posilipo Lift Station wet well lacks detention time especially during wet weather flows. The Posilipo lift station pump flow varies between 412 gpm with one pump running and 926 gpm with two pumps running during wet weather events. The District proposes to bring some of the sewage flow to the Miramar Lift Station instead of the Posilipo Lift Station. The Miramar Lift Station pump flow can vary from 190 gpm to 590 gpm with one pump running and 1,100 gpm with two pumps running. The Miramar lift station was experiencing odors since the flow from the hotel was so low. MSD Collections crew adjusted the speed of the Miramar pumps down to 200 gpm to accommodate the low flows but these pumps are not running efficiently at low capacity. Rerouting approximately 80% of the flow from the Posilpo Lift Station to the Miramar Lift Station would provide higher detention times at the Posilipo Lift Station in an emergency. The properties south of Highway 101 would continue to be served by the Posilipo Lift Station and the pumping levels would be adjusted due to the lower flow. The District completed flow monitoring in January and February 2021. The final flow analysis will be completed by the consultant using the flow monitoring data and the meter data from the lift stations.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED: Collections

ATTACHMENTS: None.





MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT- ITEM 6B

Date:	May 27, 2021 Board of Directors	
TO:		
FROM:	Tony Wong, Interim General Manager	
PREPARED BY:	Carrie Poytress, Engineering Manager	
SUBJECT:	Lilac and Oak Grove Sewer Main Extension Project	
SUMMARY:	The project includes 3,822 linear feet of 8-inch diameter PVC sewer main to serve 22 properties along Lilac Drive, Oak Grove Drive, and East Valley Road.	

Recommendation – STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT

- 1. The Board of Directors conditionally award the bid to the second (2nd) lowest bidder subject to sending a letter to the property owners with the project agreement for approval and acceptance using the 2nd lowest bidder because the lowest bidder requested relief from their bid.
 - Or
- 2. Reject all bids and direct staff to review the contract documents for improvements and re-advertise for bids.

Fiscal Impact –

Ranking	Contractor	Bid Amount
1	Cedro Construction*	\$1,682,361.48
2	Tierra Contracting	\$1,989,320.00
3	Lash Construction	\$2,832,625.00

Project Costs	Amount
Design Survey	\$13,817.25
Construction Inspection	\$60,000.00
County Cape Seal Requirement	\$70,000.00
Construction Change Order Allowance	\$190,000.00
Construction Costs using Tierra Contracting	\$1,989,320.00
Total Project Costs	\$2,323,137.25
Cost per Property (22 properties)	\$105,597.15

Previous Related Action – On February 11, 2021 the Board directed staff to advertise for bids. On March 4, 2021 staff submitted the project to Caltrans for review to start the Caltrans Encroachment Permit process. Staff advertised the project on March 23, 2021 and March 28, 2021. On April 13, 2021 staff received bids from Cedro Construction, Tierra Contracting, and Lash Construction and Cedro Construction was the lowest bidder.

Public Notice – As part of the sewer main extension project, letters will be sent to the property owners served by the project with the total project costs asking for the owners to sign either the Agreement or Deferral form. The number of Agreements received determines how much the District will be reimbursed once the construction is completed.

Goals and Objectives – To serve properties currently utilizing septic systems.

Environmental Determination – Categorically exempt by CEQA.

Analysis – **Justifications:** *On April 20, 2021, staff received a letter form Cedro Construction requesting relief from the bid based upon a material mistake pursuant to criteria set forth in Public Contract Code 5103. If the Board wants to move forward with the project, staff recommends awarding the contract to the 2nd lowest bidder, Tierra Contracting.

The proportionate share of the project costs per property is much higher than any other sewer main extension project the District has constructed. This is due to the rocky nature of the area and the few properties that this length of pipe can serve due to the large property sizes. There are very few construction companies that typically bid our sewer main extension projects. The Caltrans and County of Santa Barbara requirements cannot be revised or adjusted further. The County has already granted this project an exemption from their grind and repave requirement and in lieu of such requirements, the District will pay into a County fund to construct a lower cost cape seal. Staff does not think that re-bidding the project will garner lower bids. In fact, staff predicts that if this project is re-bid that the bids will result in higher costs than before. Note that in July 2021 the prevailing wage rates will increase, which means labor costs will increase.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED: Collections

ATTACHMENTS: April 19, 2021 Letter from Cedro Construction

EXHIBIT C CEDRO CONSTRUCTION, INC.

April 19, 2021

To: Montecito Sanitary District 1042 Monte Cristo Lane Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Re: LILAC DRIVE AND OAK GROVE DRIVE SEWER MAIN EXTENTION PROJECT.

REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM BID BASED UPON MISTAKE (PUBLIC Contract Code §5103)

Dear: Miss. Poytress

Please consider this letter to serve as Cedro Construction, Inc.'s formal request to be relieved from its bid submitted to the Montecito Sanitary District on April 13, 2021. This request is being made pursuant to Public Contract Code §5101, et seq. and specifically pursuant to the criteria set forth in Public Contract Code §5103.

The circumstances of the mistake are as follows: The bid documents call for approximate 3,822 lineal Feet of pipe to be installed which required excavation, preparation of grade, Installing of the pipe, placing of sand backfill, and paving. Cedro's President and chief estimator, Andy Cedro, made a clerical/typographical error and mistakenly did not enter the cost of paving subcontractor. This resulted in Cedro's bid being approximately \$120,000.00 less than it was intended and, therefore, made the bid materially different than Cedro intended.

The mistake was made in filling out the bid form and was not due to an error in judgment or in carelessness inspecting the site of work or in reading the plans or specifications. The mistake was discovered after Cedro crosschecked its bid package with its bid estimate spreadsheet.

Cedro's total bid as submitted was \$ 1,682,361.48. Thus a mistake of approximately \$ 120,000.00 is significant and makes Cedro's bid substantially different than it was intended to be.

If you have any questions or require additional information, feel free to contact Michael Verner at 805-525-0599.

Sincerely,

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Micheal Verner



MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT- ITEM 6C

Date:	May 27, 2021
TO:	Board of Directors
FROM:	Tony Wong, Interim General Manager
PREPARED BY:	Carrie Poytress, Engineering Manager
SUBJECT:	Proposed Ordinance 19
SUMMARY:	For District Counsel to draft a new Ordinance for property owners to elect to have connection fees, inspection fees, and proportionate share of sewer main extension costs collected on the County tax roll over a period up to 30 years.
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Recommendation – STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT 1. The Board authorize the District Counsel to draft the Ord

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 - Or
- 2. To take other action as deemed appropriate or necessary.

Fiscal Impact – The fiscal impact is unknown at this time and will be based on the number of property owners that elect to participate in program and the proportionate cost per property of the sewer main extension project. Staff strongly believe that the Ordinance with the additional repayment options will allow more home owners to participate in the sewer main extension projects sooner than if they deferred the costs. The Ordinance will be a benefit to the District in recouping project costs gradually over a period of time.

Previous Related Action – In 2020 the Board directed staff to create a septic to sewer installment payment program.

Public Notice – Once the Ordinance is drafted and approved by the Board, staff will publish the Ordinance in the local newspaper as required by Health and Safety Code §6490.

Goals and Objectives – To help property owners distribute the costs over a period of time for connecting to a new sewer main extension in order to encourage and enable more properties to be able to afford to connect to a new sewer main after an extension project. This will aid the District in recouping the costs of constructing sewer main extensions by assisting property owners in being able to afford the costs.

Environmental Determination – Categorically exempt by CEQA.

Analysis – Justifications: The District currently has a program to allow property owners that are connecting to the sewer for the first time to pay their connection fees (currently \$8,400) over a 10-year period and collect such fees via the County property tax roll. The previous District Counsel had prepared agreements for a property owner to sign in order to participate in the program. Attached is the information on the existing program (EXHIBIT A). However, this existing program does not include payments of the proportionate share of the project construction costs of a sewer main extension.

Staff recommends to revise the program so that it includes the connection fees, inspection fees, and the share of project costs of the sewer main extension and extend the period to 10, 20, or 30-year equal annual installments with interest. An Ordinance would formalize the program and reduce the number of agreements a property owner has to sign. The MSD annual sewer service charges are already collected on the property tax roll.

Staff anticipate that this proposed Ordinance would help the property owners' ability to pay for and move forward with sewer main extension projects. The Lilac and Oak Grove sewer main extension project is the longest and most expensive extension project the District has proposed. If the Board awards the contract to Tierra Contracting as recommended by staff, this Ordinance would allow the property owners of Lilac and Oak Grove to pay the \$105,597.15of the proportionate share of the construction costs over 30 years which would make the annual payments approximately \$3,519.91 plus interest. Staff anticipates that future sewer main extensions will also be more costly than past projects due to the nature of the areas that do not yet have sewer.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED: Accounting

ATTACHMENTS: Existing Septic to Sewer Installment Program





AGENDA

For the Special Meeting of the Finance Committee on:

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

The special meeting of the Finance Committee will begin at 2:00 p.m. on May 4, 2021.

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, the meeting will be held via Zoom per the Virtual Meeting Protocols.

The public may attend and comment by calling 1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 824 2676 8737

Or by visiting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82426768737

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL</u>

2. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>

Public comment is **limited to 3 minutes** and is at the discretion of the Committee Chair. For further instructions, see please see <u>Instructions for Public Comment</u> on the District's website.

3. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

- A. Bond Indenture Requirements for Funds Balance
- B. CalPERS Assumed Rate of Return
- C. Investing with LAIF
- D. Cash Balances of Other Districts

4. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- A. <u>Purchase Order Procedures</u>
- B. District Pay Rates and Raises Schedule
- C. District Vacation and Sick Time Policy
- D. MSD General Manager Salary, Benefit, and Pension
- E. <u>Retirement Salary Calculation and District Pension Liability Determination</u>
- F. Budgeting for Projects, Finance Committee and Presentation to the Board

G. District Payables for the month of April 2021

H. Quarterly Financial Statements: Qtr End March 31, 2021

- i O&M Budget vs Actual Expenditures
- ii CIP Status Report
- iii Quarterly Investment Activity
- iv Quarterly Investment Certification

I. <u>CIP Future Projects</u>

J. Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budgeting

5. <u>ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA</u>

6. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>