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Wildwood Commission Approves Wastewater Facilities Contract

Wildwood commissioners at their meeting this morning unanimously approved a contract with PC Construction dba PCEO, Inc. to provide construction manager at risk (CMAR) preconstruction and construction phase services for wastewater treatment facility upgrades and expansion.

“Time is of the essence,” explained City Manager Jason McHugh. “We have developed this contract in a way that allows us to correct deficiencies in our existing facility and efficiently move forward with a new facility to add capacity and meet rapidly increasing demands as the city grows.”

Structured to address projected short-, mid-, and long-term needs as expediently and cost-effectively as possible, the contract follows phased recommendations proposed by consulting engineering firm CPH and approved by the city commission last October. Its scope of services includes construction of Phase 1A improvements and procurement of long-lead-time equipment identified for Phase 1B and/or Phase 2.

PC Construction will be responsible for developing a cost model, providing cost estimates, developing guaranteed maximum prices (GMPs) for construction, scheduling and estimating services, recommending optimal maintenance of plant operations (MOPO), providing value engineering services and constructability reviews, and overseeing construction.

After demonstrating more than 50 years of experience in water and wastewater construction projects across the nation, PC Construction was selected as the firm best qualified among those responding to the city’s request for proposals.

“It’s critical we work with experts in this field,” said Mayor Ed Wolf. “We learned a painful and costly lesson when our existing facility was built many years ago, and now does not provide the full capacity it was designed for. I’m glad we have a company on board that will ensure residents get what they need while protecting their investment.”

On a separate agenda item, commissioners approved in a split vote to gather more information about the city’s projected population growth and demand for housing while temporarily limiting land use and zoning changes. A formal recommendation will be considered at an upcoming meeting.

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