

October 2, 2001

Honorable Mayor and Members of
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
October 23, 2001

APPROVE CONTRACT FOR MAINTENANCE OF CATCH BASINS

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Declare United Storm Water, Inc., City of Industry, California, sole source provider for maintenance of the catch basins citywide, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.12.070 of the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code;
2. Approve a one-year contract with United Storm Water, Inc., in the amount of \$14,958 for the maintenance of 45 catch basins with 56 Drainpac storm drain filter inserts;
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to attest the Contract subject to approval of the City Attorney; and
4. Authorize the Director of Public Works to make changes as necessary not to exceed \$1,042.

Background:

In July 2000, Council approved a \$38,480.85 contract with United Storm Water, Inc. for the installation of 56 Drainpac storm drain filter inserts throughout the City. These inserts were installed under a cooperative agreement with the Cities of Manhattan Beach and Rancho Palos Verdes. During the winter season of FY 2000-01, adjustments were made in several areas in order for the filters to work properly and the storm inlets to accept the storm water efficiently. Maintenance of the filters has become a problem. At this time Staff does not have the specialized equipment necessary to do the job.

In addition, a comparison of the costs entailed for in-house performance of this function versus hiring an outside firm indicates that it would be more cost efficient to hire an outside firm at this time.

DESCRIPTION	CITY	CONTRACTOR
Skid Mounted Vacuum	\$13,000	\$ -0-
Removal, Hauling, Analysis	5,000	4,350
Master Fee Schedule cost of 100 Staff hours per cleaning, two cleanings per year	11,000	10,608
Totals	\$29,000	\$14,958

Staff has been unable to locate other companies capable of performing all the functions that catch basin maintenance requires, i.e., cleaning, debris removal, analysis of debris, and filter repair; therefore, this firm is considered a sole source.

Analysis:

United Storm Water, Inc. is qualified to maintain, analyze and report on the debris captured by the filters within the City system. The recommended one-year contract would allow Staff to determine future scope of work and budgetary requirements. This will be in compliance with all NPDES requirements and Best Management Practices for maintaining the storm water catch basins and system.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is included in the current budget; therefore, no additional appropriation is required.

Attachment: United Storm Water, Inc. Contract

Respectfully submitted,

Concur:

Michael Flaherty
Public Works Superintendent

Harold C. Williams, P.E.
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Noted For Fiscal Impact:

Concur:

Viki Copeland
Finance Director

Stephen R. Burrell
City Manager