

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: PEBBLE LIME PURCHASE FOR WATER TREATMENT

BACKGROUND:

Pebble lime is used in the water treatment process to remove water hardness. Almost 3,000 tons are used annually and it is the largest chemical cost for the Water Plant. The contract period starts July 1, 2017 and continues through June 30, 2018. On April 18, 2017, bids were received for fiscal year 2017/18 with an optional extension for fiscal year 2018/19.

BIDDER	July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018		Optional Extension 7/1/18-6/30/19	
	Price Per Ton	Estimated Total Cost	Price Per Ton	Estimated Total Cost
Graymont Western Lime Inc. West Bend, WI	\$156.00	\$468,000	\$160.00	\$480,000
Mississippi Lime Company St. Louis, MO	\$212.40	\$637,200	\$221.00	\$663,000
Lhoist North America of Missouri, Inc. St. Genevieve, MO	\$261.39	\$784,170	No bid	

The total estimated cost in the table above is for an estimated quantity of 3,000 tons per 12-month period. Actual usage will depend on water quality and consumption. The 2017/18 operating budget estimates 2,939 tons at \$163.24 per ton for a total of \$479,763.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1) Award a contract for the purchase of pebble lime to Graymont Western Lime Inc. of West Bend, WI for FY 17/18. The contract provides lime at \$156.00 per ton for FY 2017/18.
- 2) Reject all bids and attempt to obtain the required services on an as-needed basis.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Acquiring an adequate supply of pebble lime is essential for the established water softening process at the City's Water Treatment Plant. Graymont Western Lime Inc. has been the supplier in recent years and has demonstrated their ability to dependably provide this product at a competitive rate.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1.