

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: TORONTO AREA WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

BACKGROUND:

The annual Water System Improvements program provides for replacing water mains in areas that are experiencing rusting water problems. It also provides for installing larger distribution mains in areas that have a high concentration of 4-inch supply lines, transferring water services from 4-inch water mains in streets where larger water mains exist, and abandoning 4-inch water mains. Eliminating duplicate water mains, where possible, improves water flow and helps reduce rusty water. Installing larger distribution lines in areas that have a high concentration of 4-inch supply lines and less than desirable fire-fighting capacity (predominately in the older areas of the community) provides larger supply quantities in relation to the current and proposed land uses, in accordance with the Land Use Policy Plan.

This project entails placing an 8-inch water main along Toronto Street from North Dakota to Alberta Avenue, Windsor Court, Arizona Avenue from Toronto Street to Ontario Street, and Tucson Circle from Center Avenue to 729 East Lincoln Way. This project will also include transferring water services to the new 8-inch water main and abandonment of the 6-inch water main. The project is in response to neighborhood comments regarding rusty water in the area.

Staff completed plans and specifications with estimated construction costs of \$390,810. Engineering and construction administration costs are estimated at \$57,000 bringing total estimated project costs to \$447,810. **Funding for the project will be from unobligated funds from previous Water System Improvements projects in the amount of \$450,000.**

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Toronto Area Water Main Replacement by establishing February 20, 2013, as the date of letting and February 26, 2013, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not approve this project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It should be emphasized that this project was not previously programmed in the approved CIP. However, over the past year the City staff has received many

complaints regarding rusty water from residents in this area. By utilizing remaining funds, it will be possible to respond to these concerns and improve the water quality for our residents in this area. If this project is approved by the City Council at this time, the work may commence as soon as possible this spring.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the Toronto Area Water Main Replacement by establishing February 20, 2013, as the date of letting and February 26, 2013, as the date for report of bids.