ITEM # <u>26</u> DATE: 04-24-18

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: CONTINUOUS EMISSIONS MONITORING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT – BID DUE DATE CHANGE

BACKGROUND:

This project is for replacement of the continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS) and the Continuous Opacity Monitoring System (COMS) used on Units #7 and #8 boilers.

On March 27, 2018, City Council approved preliminary plans and specifications for this project and set April 26, 2018, as the bid due date and May 8, 2018, as the date of hearing and award of contract.

After the scheduled pre-bid meeting was held on Tuesday, April 10, potential bidders submitted questions by the question deadline on April 17. All told, 44 questions were raised regarding the project, the schedule, and the bidding process. Needless to say, the scope of work and the specification for the replacement of the Continuous Emissions Monitoring System is very complicated.

Staff has determined that it would be in the City's best interest to extend the bid due date to allow the interested bidders enough time to process the additional addenda and to put together a more complete bid.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Approve the requested bid due change for the Continuous Emissions Monitoring System Replacement and set May 3, 2018, as the new bid due date and May 8, 2018, as the new date of hearing and award of contract.
- 2. Reject the request and leave the dates as currently established.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Extending the bid due date will allow the potential bidders to better comprehend the work scope and specifications for this project, and will likely improve the quality and pricing of the bids the City receives.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council approve Alternative #1 as described above.