

ITEM #: 33
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: AWARD YEAR THREE OF WATER PLANT WELL REHABILITATION
CONTRACT**

BACKGROUND:

Well rehabilitation is an important maintenance activity to ensure proper functioning of the water wells used to supply drinking water for the community and prevent premature well failure. On June 14, 2022, Council awarded a well rehabilitation contract to Northway Well and Pump Company of Waukee, Iowa. The contract offered optional annual renewals to rehabilitate additional wells over the next four years (for a maximum total of five years).

Staff is recommending award of year three of the contract with Northway Well and Pump Company. This will provide for the rehabilitation of five wells in FY 2024/25. Under the terms of the contract, adjustments from the base bid prices provided in 2022 are made using a Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment factor. The March CPI factor used to adjust from the FY 2022/23 bid to the FY 2024/25 contract is 9.21% over the two years, yielding a contract price for FY 2024/25 of \$154,208.

The FY 2024/25 Water Plant operating budget contains \$159,085 for the rehabilitation of City Well Nos. 6, 7, 16, 19, and 24, and an additional \$37,500 for repairs as needed.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Award year three of a contract to Northway Well and Pump Company of Waukee, IA for the Water Plant Well Rehabilitation Program in the amount of \$154,208 for rehabilitation of five wells in FY 2024/25.
2. Do not award the contract, and direct staff to solicit new bids for the rehabilitation work.
3. Do not award the contract, and direct staff not to pursue well rehabilitation for FY 2024/25. This could result in lowered capacity in the wells and potentially to premature failure of the wells and appurtenances.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Regular well maintenance is necessary to ensure the availability of well water volumes to meet the city's current and future drinking water demands. Staff has determined a five-year cycle of well rehabilitation to be an effective means of maintaining well production. The contract awarded to Northway Well and Pump Company included an option for up to four annual renewals. Northway has performed effectively in the prior years' work. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.