

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: David J. Deutsch
City Manager

SUBJECT: Supply of Polymer
R-36-09

DATE: May 28, 2009

In April 2006 the Council accepted a bid proposal for the supply of 40,000 pounds of polymer to the Waste Water Treatment Plant and directed the City Manager to enter into a contract with Pollu-Tech, Inc. for \$1.52/lb or \$60,800/year. The contract period was for one year with the City's option to renew the contract yearly for a period of two (2) years at the same unit price.

The final contract renewal period expires on June 30, 2009. Pollu-Tech, Inc. has offered to extend the contract for one additional year at the current contract price of \$1.52/lb or \$60,800/year through June 30, 2010.

The Waste Water Treatment Plant staff contacted several polymer suppliers for price quotes. One supplier was deemed ineligible as the City had cancelled a contract with them in the past; another supplier provided a price quote of \$1.70/lb; and ten others were either not interested or do not supply polymer used in waste water treatment. Seeking sealed bids at this time would not be expected to yield better results.

The Public Works Department recommends that Council waive bidding requirements for good cause shown, as allowed by Section 61 (b)(3) of the City Charter, to allow for a one year contract extension with Pollu-Tech, Inc. to supply polymer to the Waste Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$60,800.

I concur with the above recommendation and request your approval of R-36-09.

DJD:RJH:jt

RESOLUTION
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND
AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF BIDDING REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW FOR THE
ANNUAL SUPPLY OF POLYMER UTILIZED BY THE WASTE WATER TREATMENT
PLANT

WHEREAS, in April 2006 the Council accepted a bid proposal for the supply of 40,000 pounds of polymer to the Waste Water Treatment Plant and directed the City Manager to enter into a contract with Pollu-Tech, Inc. for \$1.52/lb or \$60,800/year; and

WHEREAS, the contract was for a period of one year with the City's option to renew for two additional one year periods at the same unit price; and

WHEREAS, although the final contract renewal period expires on June 30, 2009, Pollu-Tech, Inc. has offered to extend the contract for one additional year at the current contract price of \$1.52/lb or \$60,800/year through June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, staff investigation reveals no other eligible polymer suppliers could provide a better quote than Pollu-Tech; and

WHEREAS, seeking sealed bids at this time would not be expected to yield better results.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, that the Council, by a two-thirds vote in accordance with Section 61(b)(3) of the Charter, hereby waives bidding requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland that the Council authorizes the City Manager to extend the contract with Pollu-Tech, Inc. for the supply of polymer and hereby directs the City Manager to issue a purchase order to Pollu-Tech, Inc. for \$1.52/lb or \$60,800/year.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a Regular Meeting on June 1, 2009.

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Fleming, City Clerk

G. Frederick Robinson, Mayor

