

**APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO
MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT
FOR ON-CALL SEWER AND VIDEO
INSPECTION SERVICES WITH EMPIRE
PIPE CLEANING AND EQUIPMENT, INC.**



MARCH 24, 2026

Background

May 10, 2022, Council awarded a 4-year agreement to Empire Pipe Cleaning and Equipment, Inc.

- Contract expires June 30, 2026.
- Option to extend 1 additional year.
- Scope includes maintenance of ~37 miles of sewer and 880 access holes.



Discussion

- Staff solicited and negotiated new rates with Empire.
- Increases to cover higher labor costs.
- Unit price increases range from 2.8% to 3.5%.
- Increasing quantity to better align with need:
 - Annual cleaning increase from 211,000 to 250,000 linear feet (lf).
 - Trouble spot cleaning increase from 15,000 to 30,000 lf



Discussion

- Proposed increase in total base contract amount by \$255,696, and the total contract amount from \$793,490 to \$1,049,186.
- Seeking increase in annual project contingency from \$10,000 to \$15,000 for FY 26-27.
- Staff anticipates releasing a new Requests for Proposal (RFP) in FY 26-27 for services starting FY 27-28.

Recommendations

1. Determine the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5);
2. Approve proposed amendment to agreement with Empire Pipe Cleaning and Equipment, Inc. to provide sanitary sewer hydro-flushing & video inspection maintenance services, extending contract term to June 30, 2027, increasing total base contract amount by \$255,696, and increasing contract total from \$793,490 to \$1,049,186;
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works to increase the annual project contingency from \$10,000 per year to \$15,000 per year for Fiscal Year (FY) 26-27; and
4. Authorize City Manager to execute proposed amendment, approve minor non-substantive modifications if necessary, and execute all related documents, with the City Clerk attesting to the agreement subject to approval by the City Attorney.