

City of Gainesville

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Wastewater Force Main Installation (NB)

Staff recommends installation of a wastewater force main segment as part of the Town of Tioga Phases 12 and 13 projects using the Owner's underground utility contractor to perform the work.

Water/Wastewater Systems has completed construction drawings and is obtaining permits for the planned installation of a wastewater force main system improvement in conjunction with Phases 12 and 13, Town of Tioga project. W.G. Johnson and Son, Inc. is the project Owner's site and underground infrastructure contractor and is currently performing construction services at the site

Staff believes it is in the Utility's best interest to use the same underground utility contractor to install the wastewater force main that is already engaged on the construction site. The contractor is already mobilized on site which will eliminate any potential conflicts with more than one underground utilities contractor working on the same site. Savings can be derived from reduced mobilization costs, volume pricing for materials and lower administrative costs of supervision.

The consultant engineer designing the project for GRU obtained alternate pricing in order to advise GRU on a budget estimate. W.G. Johnson and Son, Inc. gave a written quotation that was lower than the consultant's estimate and \$27,417 lower than a second contractor's proposal. Purchasing has evaluated the proposals and believes the proposal from W.G. Johnson and Son, Inc. is competitive with similar work performed in the recent past. The City Commission: 1) authorize the Interim General Manager, or her designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with W.G. Johnson and Son, Inc. for the installation of a portion of a wastewater force main, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and legality, and 2) approve the issuance of a purchase order to W.G. Johnson and Son, Inc. in an amount \$119,845 to install a wastewater force main segment at the project known as Town of Tioga Phases 12 and 13.

Funds are available for this work in the FY 2007 Water/Wastewater Systems Capital Improvement Budget.

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