

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
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ITEM 82D

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 97-161
MARCH 24, 1997 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR CHROMATOGRAPH/SPECTROPHOTOMETER AT WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	HAROLD E. SMITH CITY ENGINEER

SYNOPSIS —

Hewlett Packard is the original equipment manufacturer and the sole source provider of the subject Chromatograph/Spectrophotometer.

The HP computerized gas chromatograph unit is a highly technical device which has been an integral component utilized in the daily analysis of various materials as required by law and sound laboratory protocol. In addition, the subject unit is recognized as an industry leader which has set the standard for excellence and reliability.

FISCAL IMPACT —

Funding for the service agreement is a routine outlay and is available in the Wastewater Reclamation Facility Budget under the Laboratory Index Code 055665.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval of the non-competitive (sole source) procurement of service for annual maintenance of the Laboratory HP 5890 Computerized Gas Chromatograph/Mass Spectrophotometer which is to include parts, labor, on-site preventive maintenance, software assistance and updates, complete with manuals and licensing for a 12-month period at an actual cost of \$13,749 with Hewlett Packard.

BACKGROUND —

The equipment has been used by the laboratory for the past eight years, and serviced by HP which has ensured that the equipment has remained operational and equipped with annual enhancements and software updates. Service of sophisticated units of this type must be done by factory service representatives with specialized skills.