

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 98-056  
FEBRUARY 16, 1997 AGENDA**

**SUBJECT:**

**EMERGENCY NON-COMPETITIVE  
PROCUREMENT OF CRANE RENTAL FOR  
WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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**SYNOPSIS –**

The Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF) has an operational emergency and critical need to rent a 70-ton crane. This emergency is the result of the facility crane being out of service and is compounded by such factors beyond our control such as weather, and the availability of repair parts (shipping delays). In consideration of the importance of grit removal to the overall facility operation and the apparent uncertainty surrounding the repair of the facility crane, it would be prudent at this time to provide interim grit removal capability.

**FISCAL IMPACT –**

The funding for the service is available in the Wastewater Reclamation Facility budget under the Operations Index Code 055160 Subobject Code 2704.

**RECOMMENDATION –**

**Approval of the non-competitive (sole source) procurement of 70-ton crane rental services from Champion Crane Service, Inc. for the purpose of removing debris (grit) from the Wastewater Reclamation Facility aerated grit chambers for \$15,000 not to exceed 100 hours including accessory and service fees.**

**BACKGROUND –**

Several crane rental companies have been contacted and Champion Crane service is the only source in the area that can provide the required unit. The WRF has tried using 50-ton cranes, and we have found that the boom cannot reach the south end of the tanks, which is necessary to provide sufficient cleaning.