



City of Rochester Hills  
AGENDA SUMMARY  
FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2024-0483

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members

**FROM:** Bill Fritz, P.E., Director Department of Public Services

**DATE:** October 21, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Groundwater Pre-Treatment/Dewatering for the Sewer Extension Hamlin at Adams  
City File #E23-007

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**REQUEST:**

City Council is requested to authorize a contract/blanket purchase order for the groundwater pretreatment and dewatering for the sewer extension along the south side of Hamlin Road near Adams road to Mersino Dewatering, LLC., Auburn Hills, Michigan in the project budget amount of \$615,270.00 with a 10% project contingency in the amount of \$61,527.00 for a total not-to-exceed project budget amount of \$676,797.00 and further authorizes the Procurement Manager to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

**REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

The City's Purchasing Division issued a Request for Proposals for the pretreatment of ground water removed during any dewatering activities utilizing the MITN system with one (1) proposal responses received. The responses were reviewed by a committee consisting of staff from the Planning Department, Engineering and the City's environmental consultant, ASTI. The criteria utilized to evaluate the proposal responses included understanding of project, project team, experience, qualifications and capacity, and cost. Based on the proposal submitted, the evaluation committee is recommending award of this contract to Mersino Dewatering LLC as the overall best value contractor with the qualifications to perform the necessary work.

At their August 26, 2024 meeting, City Council approved the EGLE Restoration and Remediation Grant Work Plan for the sewer extension along Hamlin Road on the south side of Hamlin, east of Adams Road that was submitted by ASTI Environmental. The proposal cost exceeds what was estimated by ASTI in the grant work plan, but the costs could be lower than the request before City Council. The project has some unknown factors that both contractors will not know exactly what will be encountered until they are awarded the work and can get mobilized on the site. Both the selected contractor for the sewer extension (Superior Excavating) and Mersino Dewatering have worked together on previous projects, and are committed to coordinating the work activities between the two companies while on site.

ASTI has indicated to the City that the proposal response demonstrates that they have a clear understanding of the scope of work, and has determined they have the required qualifications to perform the work. The City has been in discussion with all parties to see if there are alternate ways in which we can treat the water and possibly look at doing this at one location versus the initial three-four that were anticipated. These are the factors that the City feels will reduce the costs based on reducing the time and amount of treatment equipment that would be required versus one location versus that of three. The City is therefore recommending a project budget be approved and award of the project to Mersino Dewatering be issued.

**PROCESS:**

**Vendor Name and Address:**

Mersino Dewatering  
900 N. Squirrel Road, Suite 210  
Auburn Hills, MI 48263

**Reason for Selection:**

Best Value

**Method of Purchase:**

Blanket Purchase Order/Contract

**BUDGET:**

Funding is not currently included in the FY 2024 Adopted Budget.

If approved by City Council, the City of Rochester Hills will request full reimbursement for any and all groundwater pretreatment and dewatering through the EGLE Grant. The Fiscal Division shall prepare an increase to the EGLE Grant Fund State Grant Revenue and Professional Services Expenditure accounts as part of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Budget Amendment.

Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	Budget Amount	Revenue / (Cost)	Remaining Budget
EGLE Grant Fund	286.546001	State Grant / Revenue	\$0	+\$676,797	+\$676,797
EGLE Grant Fund	286.801000	Professional Services / Expenditure	\$0	(\$676,797)	(\$676,797)
		<b>Net City Cost</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Budget Content: Chief Financial Officer		
Purchasing Process: Procurement Manager		
Mayor		
City Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney       Yes       N/A