TO: HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS
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SUBJECT: AWARD OF CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF $180,275 TO ERS INDUSTRIAL SERVICES FOR THE RECLAMATION PLANT FILTER REPAIRS PROJECT AT THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLANT (WASTEWATER TREATMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT WQ-80021)

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends that Council:

1. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the attached contract with ERS Industrial Services (Attachment A) in the amount of $180,275 for the Reclamation Plant Filter Repairs project at the Regional Water Quality Control Plant (RWQCP).

2. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate and execute one or more change orders to the contract with ERS Industrial Services for related, additional but unforeseen work which may develop during the project, the total value of which shall not exceed $18,027.

DISCUSSION
The work to be performed under the contract is to repair the Reclamation Plant filters at the RWQCP. The filters are the final treatment process for recycled water and have been in continuous use for twenty-eight years. This project repairs severe corrosion damage to the filter’s piping and internal steel structure and is necessary to ensure the filter’s continued operation. During the course of repairs, the filter’s media will be removed and new media will be installed.

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A notice inviting formal bids for the Reclamation Plant Filter Repairs was sent to six contractors and posted at City Hall on April 14, 2004. The bidding period was 28 days. A prebid meeting was held on April 29, 2004. Bids were received from three qualified contractors on May 11, 2004, as listed on the attached bid summary (Attachment B). Bids ranged from a low of $180,275 to a high of $249,950. Contractors not responding indicated that they would not be competitive. The Certification of Non Discrimination is Attachment C.

Staff has reviewed all bids submitted and recommends that the low bid of $180,275 submitted by ERS Industrial Services be accepted and that ERS Industrial Services be declared the lowest responsible bidder. The bid is 20.2 percent above the engineer's estimate of $150,000. The change order amount of $18,027 (which equals ten percent of the total contract) is requested to resolve unforeseen problems and/or conflicts that may arise during the construction period.

Staff confirmed with the Contractor's State License Board that the contractor has an active license on file. Staff checked references supplied by the contractor for previous work performed and found no significant complaints.

**RESOURCE IMPACT**
Funds for the Reclamation Plant Filter Repairs have been appropriated under the FY 2003-2004 Wastewater Treatment Capital Improvement Program Project WQ-80021.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**
Recommendations of this staff report are consistent with existing City policies.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**
This project is an equipment replacement project and is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

**ATTACHMENTS**
Attachment A: Contract
Attachment B: Bid Summary
Attachment C: Certification on Nondiscrimination