



**CITY OF LOS ALTOS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 14, 2015**

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item # 6

SUBJECT: Award the Base Bid for the Annual Sewer Root Foaming, Project WW-01003 to Duke's Root Control, Inc. in the amount of \$212,500 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City

BACKGROUND

The Annual Sewer Root Foaming Project WW-01003 was adopted as part of the FY 2014/15 Capital Improvement Program. The scope of this project is to chemically remove invasive tree roots within the highest priority mains in the sanitary sewer system. The 2013 Sanitary Sewer Master Plan Update recommends root foaming of root-impacted sewer mains on a schedule of approximately one-third of the system each year.

EXISTING POLICY

None

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

None

DISCUSSION

On March 19, 2015, two bids were received and opened in a public session. It is recommended to award the contract to Duke's Root Control, Inc. of Castro Valley, California in the amount of \$212,500.

Duke's Root Control, Inc. is the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. Duke's Root Control, Inc. has no deficiencies against its general contractor's license, and the license has a 13-year history. There are no safety violations for Duke's Root Control, Inc. listed in the OSHA database. Duke's Root Control, Inc. has performed similar work successfully for several agencies including the cities of Belmont, Sacramento, Victorville, and the Vallejo Sanitary and Flood Control District. Duke's Root Control, Inc. has also successfully completed the City of Los Altos' last five annual root foaming projects.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Posting of the meeting agenda serves as notice to the general public.

FISCAL/RESOURCE IMPACT

The contract award and associated project costs are noted below:

	Annual Sewer Root Foaming, Project WW-01003
Construction	\$212,500
Inspection	\$5,250
Printing/Misc	\$1,000
Contingency (10%)	\$21,250
Total Estimated Expenses	\$240,000

There are sufficient funds in Project WW-01003 for this purpose.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Categorically Exempt, Section 15301(b), Existing Facilities of both investor and publicly-owned used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewage, or other public utility services.

RECOMMENDATION

Award a contract for the Annual Sewer Root Foaming, Project WW-01003 to Duke’s Root Control, Inc. in the amount of \$212,500 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City

ALTERNATIVES

Do not award a contract for root foaming work in FY 2014/15. Deferring this work will likely increase future maintenance and repair costs.

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ATTACHMENT:

1. Bid Results Dated March 19, 2015

April 14, 2015

Award the Base Bid for the Annual Sewer Root Foaming, Project WW-01003 to Duke’s Root Control, Inc. in the amount of \$212,500 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City

Bid Results
Annual Sewer Root Foaming Project WW-01003

Engineer's Estimate: \$200,000

The following bids were opened on March 19, 2015:

Bidder	Base Bid
Duke's Root Control, Inc.	\$212,500
Central Coast Rooters	\$215,550