

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Date: August 16, 2012**

SUBJECT: Combination Sewer Cleaner

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Utilities Department

PREPARED FOR: Neil Wadsworth, P.E. - Utilities Director and
Mark Kieren – Utilities Operations Manager

AGENDA LOCATION: Comments/Communications , Consent , Work/Study ,
New Business , Public Hearing , Second Reading

ATTACHMENTS: a) National Joint Powers Alliance Quote

SUMMARY BACKGROUND: The Utilities Department is requesting Council approval to purchase a new combination sewer cleaner (CSC) as budgeted per 2012/2013 wastewater funds. The Town currently owns a 1999 Vac-Con unit but it has reached the end of its life cycle as a primary CSC and does not have the capability to properly service our present sanitary sewer infrastructure. CSCs, in general, are used to clean sewer and storm piping, sumps, catch basins, and lift stations of debris, grease, roots, and other substances that inhibit proper function and lead to backups or spill conditions.

Town staff and CH2M HILL – OMI staff were given onsite demonstrations / presentations by three CSC manufacturers in order to evaluate their product. The basic criteria for appraisal was equipment that: 1) met current wastewater maintenance and operations requirements 2) could be serviced at a recognized maintenance facility within 100 miles of Town limits and 3) was available via a co-operative (co-op) that supplies lowest contract pricing for governmental entities. The selected CSC that best met Town requirements is manufactured by Vactor; a company that developed the first commercially produced CSC, has sold nearly 10,000 units, and been in business for more than 101 years.

This capital outlay for a CSC was budgeted in the current fiscal year in the amount of \$300,000 but a transfer of other wastewater funds totaling approximately \$62,000 is required for procurement. The purchase would be made through the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), a national municipal contracting agency (co-op) that includes approximately 90% State of Arizona municipalities as members. NJPA pricing for the Vactor is \$330,488.21, however another \$30,735.40 is required to comply with the State Tax rate of 9.3% for a total of \$361,223.61. It should be noted that the pricing structure for the Vactor is comparable to the other two CSCs with similar equipment and options.

OPTION ANALYSIS: For Discussion Only.

ACTION OPTION: For Discussion Only.

RECOMMENDATION: For Discussion Only.

REVIEWED BY:

Management Services Director _____

Town Clerk _____

Town Attorney _____

Town Manager _____

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Assigned to _____