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Recommendation

Authorize the General Manager to execute a three-month contract extension with Pro-Pipe, Inc., to provide continued inspections of sewer lateral pipelines on customer premises.

Executive Summary

In April 2018, City Council approved a request by Long Beach Energy Resources to authorize a contract with Pro-Pipe, Inc., to perform the inspection of sewer lateral pipelines and identify the location of any natural gas pipeline intrusions. The contract expired on May 31, 2023 with no additional renewal options.

Long Beach Utilities is required by US Department of Transportation regulations for gas distribution integrity management to actively engage in identifying and repairing gas pipeline intrusions into sewer pipelines at various locations within its service territory. On occasion, using trenchless construction methods to replace gas service pipelines results in damaging unmarked sewer pipelines. Long Beach Utilities currently employs locating services to ensure sewer pipelines are identified prior to performing work to prevent new sewer intrusions; however, it is necessary to conduct investigations to address any instances that may have occurred from prior work. The scope of work is consistent with Gas Engineering's Distribution Integrity Management Plan.

To remain compliant with federal regulations, Long Beach Utilities is requesting a threemonth contract extension with Pro-Pipe, Inc., to continue services until a new vendor is selected.

Fiscal Impact

No additional cost to the Gas Fund will be incurred under the extension of the contract.

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