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City of Carson City Agenda Report

Date Submitted: February 13, 2009 Agenda Date Requested: March 5, 2009

Time Requested: 5 minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors **From:** Purchasing & Contracts

Subject Title: Action to determine that Contract No. 0809-189 is a contract for the services of a professional engineer where the selection was made on the basis of the competence and qualifications of the engineer for the type of services to be performed and not on the basis of competitive fees; and therefore not suitable for public bidding pursuant to NRS 625.530; and to approve Contract No. 0809-189 with Black and Veatch to provide Engineering Services to update the improvement program for the Marlette Hobart Water System through October 30, 2009, for a not to exceed cost of \$399,500.00 to be funded from the Water Fund Accounts as provided in FY's 2008/2009 and FY 2009/2010.

Staff Summary: This Contract provides for continuing the improvement program started several years ago for the Marlette Hobart Water System by determining the best alternative to maximize the water resource system, replace aging pipelines, while also addressing maintenance issues for the two dams and the opportunity to create hydropower from the significant elevation differences.

(_X) Formal Action/Motion Does This Action Require A Business Impa	() Other (Specify)
Type of Action Requested: (check one) () Resolution () Formal Action/Motion	Ordinance Other (Specify)

Recommended Board Action: I move to determine that Contract No. 0809-189 is a contract for the services of a professional engineer where the selection was made on the basis of the competence and qualifications of the engineer for the type of services to be performed and not on the basis of competitive fees; and therefore not suitable for public bidding pursuant to NRS 625.530; and to approve Contract No. 0809-189 with Black and Veatch to provide Engineering Services to update the improvement program for the Marlette Hobart Water System through October 30, 2009, for a not to exceed cost of \$399,500.00 to be funded from the Water Fund Accounts as provided in FY's 2008/2009 and FY 2009/2010.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: The Marlette Hobart Water System is owned and operated by the State of Nevada and supplies water to Storey County-Virginia City and Carson City. The City purchases water through a wholesale water purchase contract, which provides for costs to be borne by the users. Virginia City has first rights to systems water, but uses a very small amount compared to Carson City, so the majority of costs are borne by the City.