

Item # 44A

# CARSON CITY, NEVADA REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**Date Submitted:** December 12, 2006

**Agenda Date Requested:** December 21, 2006

**Time Requested:** Consent Agenda

**To:** Mayor and Supervisors

**From:** Public Works - Contracts Division

**Subject Title:** Action to accept Public Works recommendation on the "**Biddability and Constructability Review of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion**" project, Contract# 2006-090, and authorize Public Works to issue payments to Harris and Associates, 1817 Moody Street, Suite 30, Carson City, Nevada, 89706, in the amount of \$76,200 as provided for in Fiscal Year 2006/2007 from the WWTP Upgrade Phase 1A fund.

**Staff Summary:** This contract provides for a peer review of the plans and specifications for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project which is currently estimated to cost upwards of \$19 million dollars. The review provides for evaluation of the plans and specifications to eliminate potential problems and to clarify issues with the complex project. It is a process recommended by the EPA to reduce overall costs and reduce exposure for construction claims.

**Type of Action Requested:** (Check One)

Resolution

Ordinance

(\*\*) Formal Action/motion

Other (Specify)

**Does this Action Require a Business Impact Statement:**  Yes  No

**Recommended Board Action:** I move to accept Public Works recommendation on the "**Biddability and Constructability Review of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion**" project, Contract# 2006-090, and authorize Public Works to issue payments to Harris and Associates, 1817 Moody Street, Suite 30, Carson City, Nevada, 89706, in the amount of \$76,200 as provided for in Fiscal Year 2006/2007 from the WWTP Upgrade Phase 1A fund.

**Explanation for Recommended Board Action:** This is a professional services contract. This consultant was selected using the guidelines of NRS as indicated below. This contract provides for a peer review of the plans and specifications for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project which is currently estimated to cost upwards of \$19 million dollars. The review provides for evaluation of the plans and specifications to eliminate potential problems and to clarify issues with the complex project. It is a process recommended by the EPA to reduce overall costs and reduce exposure for construction claims.

**Project Estimate:** \$76,200

**Project Budget:** \$76,200

**Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation:** Architects, Engineers and Surveyors are considered professional services contracts pursuant to the requirements of N.R.S., Chapters 332 and 625, therefore, a formal bidding process is not required, however, a Statement of Qualifications process was used to select this consultant. Harris & Associates was selected as the one of the firms best qualified for this project.

**Fiscal Impact:** Not to exceed \$76,200.

**Funding Source:** WWTP Upgrade Phase IA, as Provided for in FY 2006/2007

**Explanation of Impact:** If approved the above referenced account could be decreased by \$76,200.