Division of Water

Request for Legislation

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Utilities to employ one or more professional consultants to provide a backflow data management program for the Division of Water, for a period of three years, with two options to renew for additional one year periods, the first of which is exercisable through additional legislative authority.

Background/Purpose:

Pursuant to section 531.23 of City Of Cleveland codified ordinances, Cleveland Water requires the installation, testing and maintenance of a backflow prevention device on any service connection that presents either an actual or potential hazard to the potable water system.

The type of device required depends on the degree of hazard involved. This determination will be made by Cleveland Water and will generally be in agreement with the provisions of the "rules and regulations on cross---connection control" on file with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) as part of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745---95.

The backflow prevention device and its installation, testing and maintenance must be approved by Cleveland Water and meet requirements of state rules and regulations.

Scope of Work/Commodities/Services:

The administration and implementation of a backflow prevention device tracking and management system, which will incorporate a function allowing licensed plumbing contractors to submit backflow test results via a secure internet website.

Justification/Urgency:

The current contract expires on March 31, 2020.

Anticipated Costs and funding source:

Per Ordinance No. 535.06k, for 2019 CWD currently receives a \$14.00 fee from the current contractor. Any internal cost are minimal.

Schedule or Term of Contract:

Three years, with two one-year options to renew.

CSB Participation

OEO has waived the CSB participation goal for this contract.

Current Contract(s):

| Vendor Company Name | Vendor Address/Contact | Services/Work performed (current contract) | Contract Info |
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| Backflow Solutions, Inc. | 12609 S. Laramie Drive Alsip, IL 60803 Doug Eisenhauer | Backflow Data Management Program | CT NF2013-015 Expires 03/31/20 \$1,339,331.45 received for the first six years of the contract. |

<u>CSB Participation on the Current Contract(s):</u>
Goals: <u>10</u>%; Actual CSB Participation: <u>0</u>%