



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

To: Mayor Graham and City Council
From: Dennis Sullivan, Director of Engineering & Public Works
Walter Denton, City Administrator
Date: December 5, 2005
Subject: RESOLUTION – Water Line and Fire Hydrant Repair

List of committees that have reviewed: Public Works

Background: Both water lines on Plum and Cherry in Fairview Heights have become problematic as of late, leaking and causing settling of driveways and yards. The lines are 2" in diameter and inadequate by modern standards. A number of fire hydrants along Highway 50 have long been a sore point with the Fairview Heights Fire Department. As M&I Construction knew of these problems, they provided the City with proposals for this work due to a break in their schedule. Attached is a comparison of prices paid in 2004 for work that was bid with the proposed prices of M&I, now. Detailed engineering drawings are not available to bid these items of work. M&I has long been a low bidder and producer of quality work for the City of O'Fallon.

Legal Considerations, if any: Normal for sole source procurement of services.

Budget Impact: The FY06 budget contains funding for emergency and priority repairs to our water system.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the proposals for repairs be accepted. Prices are very comparable to large, bid projects. Repairs are needed on an expedited basis. The total cost of the Plum Street repairs are estimated to be \$27,470.00, Cherry Street to be \$27,975.00, and Fire Hydrant repair to be \$15,090.10.