

**Metropolitan Domestic Water Improvement District
Board of Directors Meeting**

April 11, 2016

Award of the DeConcini Exterior Site Painting

Synopsis

The Board is requested to award the exterior painting of the DeConcini storage tank along with the site appurtenances to AO Painting.

Background

The District's well site and facilities are primarily outdoor facilities. The assets on these facilities such as tanks, piping, booster, and panels are subjected to the elements. Most of these components are steel construction with a paint coating to protect the steel from corrosion. Over time paint coating systems breakdown from the weather exposing the steel which can allow rust or corrosion to form. Paints can also fade, crack, peel, and oxidize leaving aesthetic issues for the public.

The painted site equipment at DeConcini including the storage tank, pressure tank, piping, and electrical cabinets are showing signs of wear in the paint coating with the oxidation, cracking and peeling. Staff is recommending that the site equipment be repainted to protect it as well as improve the overall aesthetics.

Issues

The District utilized the City of Tucson Co-Operative Procurement contracts for the painting of the Las Palmas and Alcott Storage tanks. The Board awarded this work to AO Painting in October 2015. Staff would like to again use the City of Tucson procurement contract for the painting of the DeConcini site. The City of Tucson recently awarded their new painting contract "Painting and other related services" contract number 161409. The new contract went into effect on March 24, 2016. AO Painting and Weiss Painting are the two contractors selected. AO Painting has the lowest hourly rate at \$21.00 per hour and Weiss Painting is at \$36.00 per hour. The District has had good results from AO Painting.

The proposal provided by AO Painting to paint the exterior of the storage tank, pump station, hydro tank, and electrical boxes is \$16,887.00 including labor and materials. Additional taxes would be approximately \$250.00 bringing the job total to \$17,137.00.

The District's line item Storage Tank Rehabilitation in the 2016 approved budget was funded at \$103,000.00. The funding was for the Alcott and Las Palmas tanks that have been completed. Funding was also included for exterior coatings and general storage tank repairs. Current expenses in that account are \$74,919.47 leaving \$28,080.53 available.

The DeConcini Storage tank is 32 feet high and is visible from a fair distance. The tank is also in a residential neighborhood. Previously the storage tank was painted using the vendor color "ice cream". Staff is recommending that the tank and all the site equipment be painted a "desert sand" color. Attached are some photos of the DeConcini storage as it is currently painted with the Ice Cream color and a photo of the Las Palmas tank that was recently painted with the Desert Sand. Staff is open to board direction on color if there is a preference.

Staff Recommendation

Staff is recommending that the Board award the DeConcini exterior site painting to AO Painting in the amount of \$17,137.00. It is also recommended that the Board authorize the General Manager to approve up to an additional amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for any unforeseen issues.

Suggested Motion

I move to award the DeConcini exterior site painting to AO Painting in the amount of \$17,137.00. I also move to authorize the General Manager to approve up to an additional amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for any unforeseen issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven D. Shepard,
Utility Superintendent

I concur with the above-noted recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Olsen, P.E.
General Manager