

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CITY/COUNTY UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 12, 2009

Items Considered: 10; Items Approved: 8; Items Referred Back to Staff: 2

Distribution/Collection	Water/Wastewater Treatment
<p>The Utility Commission authorized the acquisition of property by deed for Yadkinville Road Outfall (Minor), Ashlyn Drive Outfall and Folkstone Court Outfall. The Commission approved the transfer of easements acquired by the contractors for their respective projects and granted to the City of Winston-Salem at no cost to the Utilities Commission or the City of Winston-Salem.</p> <p>The Utility Commission declared certain unused utility easements located near West Clemmons Road as surplus and recommended that the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem transfer those easements back to the respective adjacent property owners. These easements include a 20' wide sanitary sewer easement and a 30' wide water main easement. The 30' easement for the water main should not transfer back to the owner until the relocation of the main is complete for the West Clemmons Road widening project.</p> <p>The Utility Commission awarded a contract with Gibson Supply, Inc., for brass fittings used by the construction and maintenance staff for asset installation. Gibson Supply was the lowest bidder meeting the specifications for a total award of \$299,090.73.</p> <p>The Utility Commission amended the Public Service Agreement with Synagro, Inc. to provide removal, mixing, transportation, and beneficial reuse and/or disposal of liquid or cake biosolids generated by the wastewater treatment plants yearly. Synagro and Utilities staff have negotiated a 9.5% increase in the unit price for liquid disposal from \$0.0381 to \$0.0417 per gallon for 2009 and have removed cake biosolids removal from the contract due to the new biosolids dryer. This contract will call for the disposal of 4 million gallons of liquid biosolids remaining in the lagoons, at both plants, that accumulated before the biosolids dryer/pelletizer began. The total contract amount of \$166,800 for this amendment will be a decrease from 2007, saving the Utility Commission \$742,650 due to the implementation of the biosolids dryer.</p> <p>Two resolutions related to amending the contract to Atlantic Coast Contractors, Inc. and the amending of the engineering agreement with Hydrostructures, PA., for additional services for the rehabilitation/replacement of the water and sewer system in West End, known as Addition No. 2 were referred back to staff for further information.</p>	<p>The Commission approved a change order to Black & Veatch's contract for construction administration engineering services on the Elledge Biosolids Dryer facilities project. This change order was necessary due to certain setbacks in the construction schedule requiring additional construction administration and a significant effort was required to diagnose and design a solution to an issue that caused the system to not operate properly. Staff negotiated an amount of \$238,619.67 for services provided through July 15, 2008 plus \$14,987.75 for the design of the filtering system to correct the operation problem with the facility. The total change order amounts to \$253,607.42.</p>
	Administration
	<p>The Commission revised the final assessment rolls for the Kenbridge & Millbridge sanitary sewer extension project No. 73213. The final assessment rolls for this project included two property owners, Mellissa Kay Sowers of 6900 Millbridge Road and Steve Craig Hill of 6900 Kenbridge Drive, who would benefit by being assessed for the Lewisville-Clemmons Road sanitary sewer extension project No. 73283 instead. The Commission exempted these two property owners from the Kenbridge & Millbridge project and will assess them based upon the Lewisville-Clemmons project rates, which are slightly lower.</p> <p>The Utility Commission recommends approval by the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem of a resolution directing the application to the Local Government Commission for approval of water and sewer system revenue bonds, requesting Local Government Commission approval of the City's water and sewer system revenue bonds, and certain related matters. The total not-to-exceed amount of 115,000,000 for Series 2009 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds is for various Capital Projects, Capitalized Interest, and Cost of Issuance and Underwriter's Discount.</p>