



# *Camarillo City Council*

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## **AGENDA REPORT**

Date: March 26, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

From: Greg Ramirez, City Manager

Submitted by: Dave Klotzle, Public Works Director

Subject: Ratify CC Agreement 2025-8 with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc. for Urgency Work on the Well B Pump

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### **BACKGROUND**

The City's water distribution system has four groundwater wells to supply water to City customers. Wells A and B are utilized to provide supplies to the North Pleasant Valley Desalter for treatment of brackish groundwater. Well D and Well 3 both supply water directly to the largest portion of the City's service area, Pressure Zone 305. In early December 2024, Well B experienced a 33% drop in production, necessitating immediate attention to determine the cause and perform necessary maintenance work. With Well B offline, the City must purchase approximately 2.1 million gallons of additional imported water per day to meet demand. Urgent work on Well B was initiated with Best Drilling and Pump Inc. (Best Drilling) to provide the assessment and necessary work on Well B.

### **DISCUSSION**

On January 13, 2025 the urgent maintenance services on the Well B pump were initiated and are ongoing. Subsequently, the City Manager executed Agreement No. 2025-8 for Best Drilling's services in the amount of \$134,332. Consistent with the Urgency Purchase procedures of City Council Policy 4.01 – Procurement, staff is requesting City Council ratification of Agreement No. 2025-8 with Best Drilling and requests authorization of a contingency in the amount of \$20,000 (approximately 15%) for contract change orders that may become necessary, for a total authorized expenditure of \$154,332.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the contract and project contingencies with Best Drilling are included in the Water Utility Fund, Desalter Operations, Contract Services Account No. 860-3670-436.35-74 in the amount of \$154,332.

## **CEQA DETERMINATIONS**

City staff has determined, in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, that urgent maintenance to the Well B Pump is not subject to CEQA review because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the urgency maintenance to Well B Pump may have a significant effect on the environment.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Ratify Agreement No. 2025-8 with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc. in the amount of \$134,332 and authorize a contingency in the amount of \$20,000 for a total authorized expenditure of \$154,332, and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute future change orders with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc. up to the authorized contingency amount.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. CC Agreement No. 2025-8

## **REFERENCE MATERIALS – AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT CITY HALL**

None