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TO: Utilities Committee

FROM: Dean R. Gazza

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RE: Action Item: Request to approve a contract for \$134,020 to Faith Technologies for the addition of a Fire Protection System to the Wastewater Plant. This is Phase III of III. In addition, I ask the Committee to pre-approve \$10,000 for required changes or unforeseen circumstances during installation.

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The Wastewater Plant was constructed without a fire protection system. Though one is not required by code, the decision was made to protect life safety, assets and to reduce risk to the plants operation. During 2010, Phase I of three phases was completed which added protection to the administrative and operations buildings. Phase II was completed in 2012 and added fire protection to buildings L, M, T, V and V2. Phase III will cover buildings B, D, K, F1, F2, FG, H and J. Note that \$150,000 was budgeted so our bids fall within the allocated budget.

Bids were received from two contractors:

Best Defense	\$145,219
Faith Technologies	\$134,020

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