

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager to proceed under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B for centrifuge rental services for Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility for a total term of five (5) years.

The City Council must authorize the City Manager to proceed under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, in order to obtain such services for a term of five (5) years.

BE IT VOTED:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to seek, receive and accept proposals under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, relative to centrifuge rental services for Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility for a term of five (5) years.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager be and hereby is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver any and all other documents related to centrifuge rental services for Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility, on such terms and conditions as the City Manager deems in the best interest of the City of Lowell.



MARK A. YOUNG
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LOWELL WASTEWATER UTILITY
WASTEWATER TRANSPORT AND TREATMENT



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TO: Thomas A. Golden, Jr., City Manager
CC: Christine O'Connor, City Solicitor; Conor Baldwin, Chief Financial Officer
FROM: Mark Young, Executive Director; Aaron Fox, Operations Manager
DATE: September 28, 2022
SUBJECT: Centrisys Contract Amendment - September 4, 2022

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The Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility is requesting the approval of an amendment to the 3 year Temporary Dewatering of Sewage Sludge Centrifuge Rental Contract.

Under the contract, the vendor (Centrisys) is responsible for furnishing a temporary Centrifuge installation for the dewatering of blended sludge generated by the Duck Island Wastewater Treatment Facility (historically, 24,000 wet tons per year). The service is provided through the contract period beginning December 1, 2019 and ending November 30, 2022. The total contract amount is \$882,000 with a scheduled price of \$24,500 a month.

This is a critical service that is needed due to the fact that the Duck Island Facility does not currently have a sludge dewatering installation in operable condition.

The proposed amendment, included with this request, consists of a 2 year time extension and a contract price increase of \$588,000. The contractor has agreed to hold the original rental agreement pricing of \$24,500 per month. This proposal is in line with the extension option described in the contract. The extension would go into effect December 1st, 2022 and terminate November 30th, 2024.

It is Wastewater's recommendation that the City proceeds with this contract extension. A competitive bid will most likely result in a higher monthly rental price and also involve a disruption in sludge processing. This process disruption would negatively impact operational costs and lead to an increase in odor generation. A permanent centrifuge installation is currently under design and is scheduled to be constructed as part of the Phase 3 Facility Improvement Project.



Thomas A. Golden, Jr.
City Manager

Shawn Machado
Assistant City Manager

October 4, 2022

Mayor Sokhary Chau
And
Members of the City Council

Dear Mayor Chau and Members of the City Council,

I am hereby requesting the City Council vote to authorize the execution of a contract amendment for an existing contract with Centrisys Corporation. The amendment for centrifuge rental services for Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility will extend the term of the contract by two (2) additional years, making the total contract duration five (5) years.

Pursuant to M.G.L. c.30B, Council authorization is required for any municipal contract in excess of three (3) years. Accordingly, attached is the vote requesting authorization for the City Manager to negotiate and enter into an additional 2-year amendment to the contract with Centrisys Corporation.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Golden, Jr.
City Manager

CC: Mark Young, Executive Director of Wastewater
Christine O'Connor, City Solicitor