

## STAFF REPORT



## CITY OF OCEANSIDE

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DATE: December 22, 2010

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Public Works – Harbor & Beaches Division

SUBJECT: **AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT ALL BIDS FOR THE HARBOR LIFT STATION NO. 4 FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

**SYNOPSIS**

Staff recommends that the City Council reject all bids for the construction of the Harbor Lift Station No. 4 Force Main Replacement project located north of the San Luis Rey River and east of the Pacific Street Bridge at Harbor Drive South.

**BACKGROUND**

When the Harbor was created in 1961, the entire utility infrastructure as it exists today was installed, including the lift stations and sewer force-mains. The existing 8-inch cast iron sewer force main connects Harbor Lift Station No. 4 with North Bridge Lift Station (Exhibit A) and then sends this sewage to the La Salina Wastewater Treatment Facility for processing. The length of the existing force main is approximately 400 linear feet and is situated in Harbor Drive and underneath the North County Transit District's (NCTD) railroad right-of-way. Cast iron piping has corrosive properties, which over the years tends to corrode the pipe wall. In addition, rust tends to accumulate in cast iron pipe thus creating blockage over time and less carrying capacity. This sewer force main has reached the end of its useful life and needs to be replaced to ensure continued service for all of the Harbor and the Harbor tenants.

**ANALYSIS**

On October 28, 2010, four bids were received and opened for the Harbor Lift Station No. 4 Force Main Replacement project (Exhibit B). The low bidder was HPS Mechanical, Inc. of Bakersfield, with a bid of \$304,301; \$52,055 higher than the engineer's estimate. After analyzing the bids, staff is recommending that it would be in the City's best interest to reject all bids and re-bid the project in August 2011, since the project would not be completed by April 2011 and construction could continue into June 2011.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS**

Under state law, the Council has the discretion to reject all bids in lieu of making an award. It is not necessary to state the reason for the rejection.

**INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The City's standard insurance requirements will be met.

**COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT**

Does not apply.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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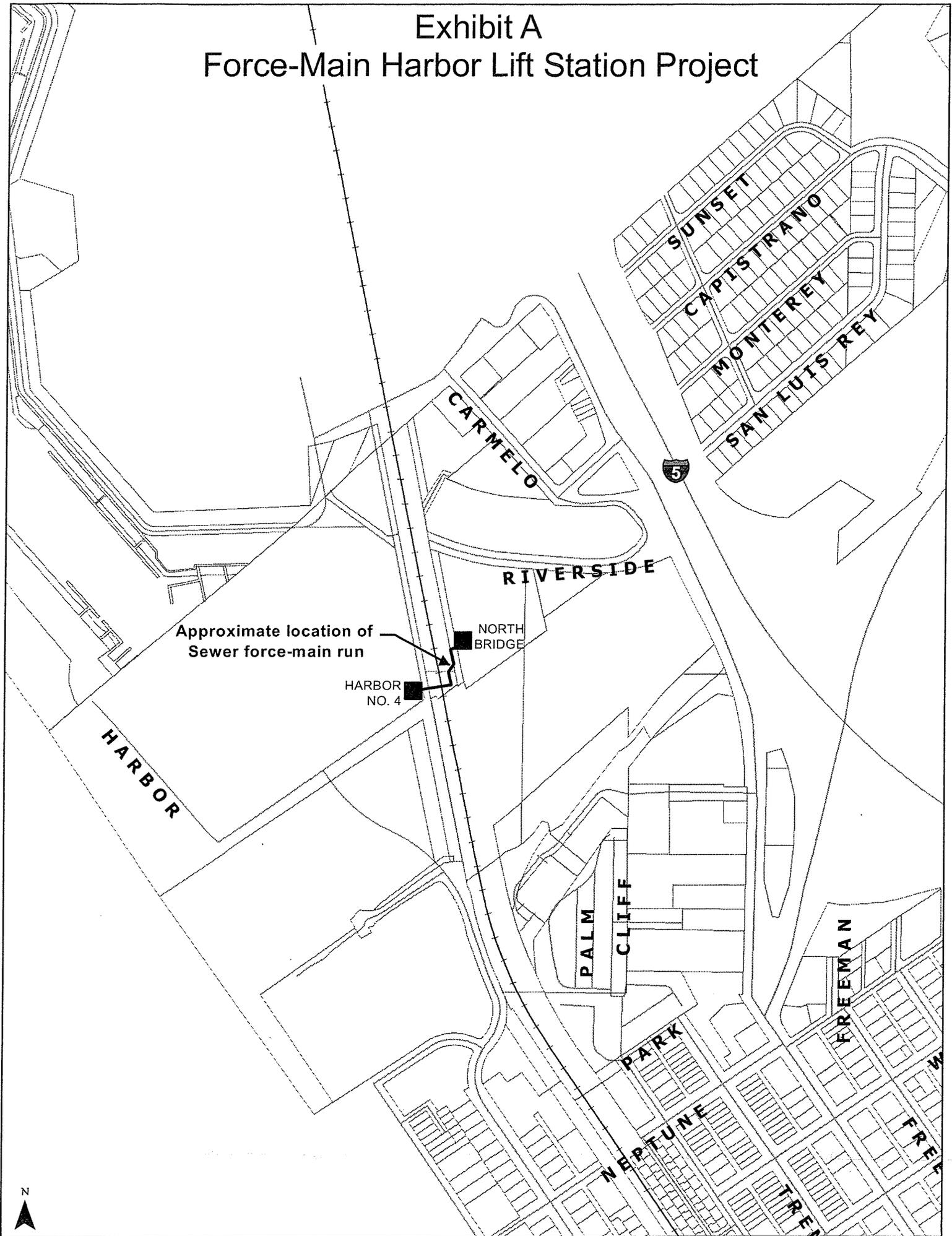
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Exhibit A: Site Map  
Exhibit B: Bid Results

# Exhibit A Force-Main Harbor Lift Station Project



BID TABULATION			
PROJECT NO.:	910539400751		ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE
PROJECT NAME:	HARBOR LS 4 FORCE MAIN		\$252,246
PROJECT MANAGER	GARY BODMAN		
BID DATE:	OCTOBER 28, 2010		
BIDDER:	ADDRESS:	BID AMOUNT:	
1. Zondiros Corp.	San Marcos	391,700 <sup>00</sup> —	(2)
2. Mike Pfrich & Sons, Inc.	Baldwin Park	416,200 <sup>00</sup> —	(3)
3. HPS Mechanical, Inc.	Bakersfield	304,301 <sup>00</sup> —	(1)
4. NCC NEWest Construction Company, Inc.	San Diego	496,300 <sup>00</sup> —	(4)
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