



## Legislation Text

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### CONSIDERATION AND AWARDING OF BID 1819-74 FOR THE PURCHASE OF CATIONIC POLYMER FOR THE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

**BACKGROUND:** On May 16, 2019, bids were opened for Bid-1819-74 for Cationic Polymer. Funds in the amount of \$602,299 have been allocated in the fiscal year 2019-2020 (FYE 2020) Water Fund budget, Water Treatment Plant, Operating Chemicals (account 031-5534-461.31-08) for purchase of all treatment chemicals.

**DISCUSSION:** With process upgrades for Phase II construction, the Water Treatment Plant will be using a cationic polymer in the process to help as coagulation. Specifications were sent to nine (9) vendors and three (3) bids were received. Staff contacted all "no Bid" for comment on their bids. Only Advanced Chemical replied. The company was bought by Brenntag in 2001. The lowest and best bid meeting all specifications was submitted by Mid America Hydro Tech in the amount of \$0.599 per pound, a 41% increase over the previous bid of \$0.424 per pound.

These chemicals are petroleum based and manufactured along coastal areas. Weather and fuel impact the cost of the chemicals.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Purchases will be made throughout FYE 2020. Bids have been examined by Staff and found to be in order and proper as to form. Based upon the above information, Staff recommends acceptance of the low bid as listed above.