



**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT  
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST  
UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**

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**DATE:** October 3, 2017  
**TO:** Ed Lavallee, City Manager  
**FROM:** Javier Vargas, Utilities Director  
**COUNCIL DATE:** October 24, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** Lift Station Odor Control Chemical Purchase

**Background:**

The Utilities Department continuously strives to keep the odor down to a minimum at two of our largest wastewater lift stations (LS #7 and LS #57). In order to achieve this, we need to purchase odor control chemicals (calcium hydroxide) on a weekly basis. Based on our experience with several odor control chemicals, the current product, which is sold under the name Alk ALKAGEN, has provided us with the best results. Prior to this fiscal year, these services were provided as a sole source purchase for the unit price of \$1.51 per gallon. Based on research in 2017, Utilities determined the best unit price that met the City's needs was through a cooperative purchase with Sarasota County for the unit price of \$1.36 per gallon, which is a cost savings to the City in the amount of \$21,400.00 for this fiscal year. Based on the vendor's performance over the past year and their decision to reduce the price, Utilities recommends this cooperative purchase. Due to the total annual cost exceeding \$150,000, Utilities is requesting Council approval for this purchase.

**Requested Action:**

We request Council's approval for the cooperative purchase with Evoqua Water Technologies for the purchase of Alk ALKAGEN in the amount of \$220,000.00 for fiscal year 2018.

**City Attorney Review:**

N/A.

**Risk Management Review:**

N/A.

**Funds Availability (account number):**

Based on Council's approval, funds are available in account number 421-1204-535.52-02 (Odor Control).