



MEMORANDUM

City of Venice

Utilities Department

TO: Ed Lavallee, ICMA-CM, MPA, City Manager

THROUGH: Javier A. Vargas, MPA, Utilities Director

FROM: Damien Stillings, Technical Unit Supervisor

DATE: September 4, 2019

COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes

MEETING DATE: September 24, 2019

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Upgrade and Maintain City Infrastructure and Facilities

SUBJECT: Babe's Plumbing Inc. – Backflow Devices Testing, Repair, Installation and Replacement Services

Background: On October 1, 2018 the City of Venice Utilities Department took over maintenance responsibilities for backflow prevention devices within the City as part of Chapter 74 Ordinance revision. Council approved a unit price contract with Babe's Plumbing, Inc. for backflow services not to exceed \$1,500,400 over the term of the contract on December 11, 2018. The budgeted amount this year will provide for the installation, repair, replacement and testing of backflow protection devices. As of today, approximately 1,300 residential and all 1,000 commercial devices have been updated to current standards.

Requested Action: Due to the annual cost exceeding \$150,000, we request Council's approval to continue the contract with Babe's Plumbing, Inc. for backflow prevention maintenance not exceed the amount of \$600,000 for fiscal year 2020.

If for an agenda item, this document and any associated backup created by City of Venice staff has been reviewed for ADA compliance: Yes

City Attorney Review/Approved: N/A

Risk Management Review: N/A

Finance Department Review/Approved: N/A

Funds Availability (account number): 421-1202-536.31-00

ORIGINAL(S) ATTACHED: Contract between the City of Venice and Babe's Plumbing

Cc: Peter Boers, Procurement Manager