

## **EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request**

*For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases*

The Board is being asked to approve a construction contract with **Kevin Cohen Plumbing, Inc. DBA Accurate Underground** for **Plumbing Service Reconnection Work**.

Board Meeting Date: 1/4/2022  
Project Name/Contract #: Palomino St Main Replacement–Plumbing Svc Reconnection / 21-167-PW  
Primary Contact: Karen Kelley Ext. 7153

### **Contract Amount:**

Original Contract Amount: \$371,000  
Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0  
Invoices over last approval: \$0  
Percentage over last approval: %0  
Amount this Request: \$371,000  
Resulting Cumulative Total: **\$371,000**

### **Contracting Method:**

Method of Solicitation: Formal Invitation to Bid  
If applicable, basis for exemption: NA  
Term of Agreement: One-time Purchase (Construction)  
Option to Renew? No  
Approval for purchases “as needed”  
for the life of the Contract: Yes  No   
Proposals/Bids Received (Range): 2 - (\$370,600 - \$377,647.50)  
Selection Basis: Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder  
Narrative:

### Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

EWEB proactively addresses the aging water distribution system by replacing select water pipelines each year. The goal of this program is to reduce risks associated with water main breaks and increase the reliability and performance of the overall distribution system. In accordance with recommendations in the Water Master Plan, a risk model is used to prioritize and identify pipelines for replacement. In addition, new pipelines are installed to current standards using materials and methods designed to improve the resiliency of the water system.

This project will reconnect private plumbing from approximately 53 homes to new pipelines and services being installed in Palomino Street. The existing pipeline is currently being replaced under separate contract because it is in the backyard of a residential area with poor access and has experienced multiple leaks. These plumbing reconnections are the final step necessary to abandon the existing 4-inch and 2-inch cast iron lines currently in backyards.

Contracted Goods or Services

Kevin Cohen Plumbing, Inc. DBA Accurate Underground and their subcontractors will provide plumbing and construction services to relocate and reconnect private plumbing as necessary to connect to the new water main being installed in Palomino Drive according to the project scope and design. The project is scheduled for completion in mid-2022.

Purchasing Process

Staff issued a formal Invitation to Bid in November 2021. The solicitation was publicly advertised on Oregon Buys. Two (2) bids were received and Kevin Cohen Plumbing, Inc. DBA Accurate Underground, provided the lowest bid and was deemed responsive and responsible.

Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price
Kevin Cohen Plumbing, Inc. DBA Accurate Underground	Springfield, OR	\$370,600
Twin Rivers Plumbing	Eugene, OR	\$377,647.50

Competitive Fair Price (If less than 3 responses received)

Bid was formally advertised on the State of Oregon’s bid site, Oregon Buys. The two bids received were within a reasonable range from the engineers estimate.

Prior Contract Activities

None – New Contractor

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Management requests the Board approve a construction contract with Kevin Cohen Plumbing Inc. DBA Accurate Underground for Palomino St Main Replacement - Plumbing Service Reconnection work.

This work will be completed under the Main Replacement Budget for 2022 which is approximately \$3.6 million out of a total 2022 Water Capital budget of \$29 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.