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COUNCIL REPORT

**TO:** CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2009 September 25

**FROM:** DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

**SUBJECT:** HIRED EQUIPMENT EXPENDITURE APPROVAL

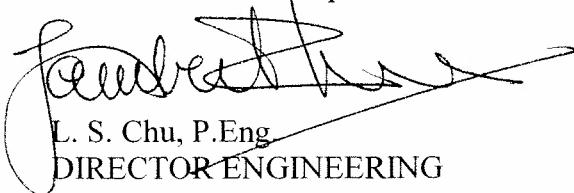
**PURPOSE:** To seek Council's approval to increase the purchase order limit for hired equipment services.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. THAT** Council approve the continued use of Hired Equipment Services provided by McRae's Environmental Services and Vanport Enterprises for remainder of 2009 as outlined in this report.

**REPORT**

The City retains a number of contractors with competitive prices to provide hired equipment services as required to assist City forces in completing construction and maintenance programs. This involves peak workload supplemental services as well as specialized equipment services. McRae's Environmental Services (McRae's) has for several years provided the City with specialized equipment to assist City forces in sewer main flushing and vacuum excavation services for water and sewer construction projects. Due to additional pipe inspection work in 2009, the City required additional services from McRae's to assist with cleaning the City's storm sewer system. Staff are projecting that the extra work undertaken combined with the projected remaining construction service requirements will bring the total service cost for McRae's for the year to approximately \$270,000. Vanport Enterprises has also provided hired backhoes to support City construction services for water and sewer projects. Due to a large capital works program and City equipment servicing requirement, there has been an additional need for Vanport's services. Staff project the total cost for the year to be approximately \$265,000. These contractors have provided excellent service to the City and have assisted City crews in infrastructure construction and maintenance works. It is recommended that staff be authorized to increase value of the purchase order with McRae's to \$270,000 and Vanport to \$265,000.



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