

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE  
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE )	RESOLUTION NO. 92-1632
EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A )	
CONTRACT WITH JENSEN DRILLING CO. )	
FOR WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE )	
GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL )	Introduced by Rena Cusma,
IMPROVEMENTS AND PIEZOMETER )	Executive Officer
INSTALLATION AT ST. JOHNS LANDFILL )	

WHEREAS, It is in the public interest that the St. Johns Landfill closure process move forward in an expeditious manner; and

WHEREAS, groundwater monitoring well improvements and piezometer installation will advance the closure process; and

WHEREAS, On May 14, 1992 the Metro Council authorized issuance of a Request for Bids for the above listed work; and

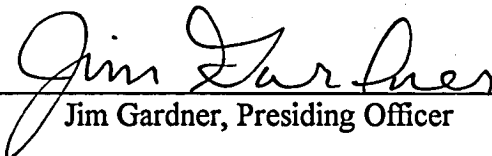
WHEREAS, Jensen Drilling Co. has been determined to be the apparent lowest responsive, responsible bidder after an open competitive bid process; and

WHEREAS, the award is conditioned upon the receipt of a Performance Bond, Labor and Materials Payment Bond, and all other bid document submittal requirements; and

WHEREAS, This resolution, authorizing the Executive Officer to enter into a contract with Jensen Drilling Co. was submitted to the Executive Officer for consideration and was forwarded to the Council for approval; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District authorizes the Executive Officer to enter into a contract with Jensen Drilling Co. in the amount of \$347,625 for work associated with Water Monitoring Well Improvements and Piezometer Installation at St. Johns Landfill.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 25th day of June, 1992.

  
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Jim Gardner, Presiding Officer

**SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE REPORT**

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 92-1632, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH JENSEN DRILLING CO. FOR WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL IMPROVEMENTS AND PIEZOMETER INSTALLATION AT ST. JOHNS LANDFILL

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Date: June 17, 1992

Presented by: Councilor Wyers

**Committee Recommendation:** At the June 16 meeting, the Committee voted 4-0 to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 92-1632. Voting in favor: Councilors Buchanan, Hansen, Van Bergen and Wyers. Councilor McFarland was excused.

**Committee Issues/Discussion:** Jim Watkins, Solid Waste Engineering Manager, explained that the purpose of the resolution was to award the contract for groundwater monitoring well improvements and the installation of piezometers at the St. Johns Landfill. Jensen Drilling submitted the only bid for \$347,625. The estimated cost of the work was \$363,000.

Watkins responded to Council staff's questions. He noted that the addenda reducing the minimum qualifications for bidders was made available to all potential bidders four days prior to the bid deadline. Watkins indicated that about \$243,000 would be spent during the first year of the contract and the remainder would be spread over the remaining four years of the contract, largely for related maintenance and repair work.

Watkins provided a letter from the contracting office related to the question of why only one bid was received. The office checked with several potential bidders and concluded that no major defects in the bidding process were apparent. Watkins noted that Jensen Drilling was already performing other similar work at the landfill.

## STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 92-1632 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH JENSEN DRILLING COMPANY FOR WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL IMPROVEMENTS AND PIEZOMETER INSTALLATION AT ST. JOHNS LANDFILL

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Date: June 16, 1992

Presented by: Jim Watkins

### PROPOSED ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 92-1632 to authorize the Executive Officer to execute a contract with Jensen Drilling Co., the apparent lowest responsive, responsible bidder for work associated with and including the groundwater monitoring well improvements and piezometer installation at St. Johns Landfill. The Contract is recommended for award conditioned upon receipt of Performance Bond, Insurance Certificates, and other bid document submittal requirements.

### FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

As part of the closure of St. Johns Landfill, Metro has solicited bids to: maintain existing wells which provide reliable water quality data, to abandon existing wells which do not provide reliable water quality data, and to construct new wells as required by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The new wells consist of shallow groundwater monitoring wells (for water quality data) and nested piezometer clusters (for water level data). The water level data is to determine groundwater flow paths in the vicinity of the landfill site, such that the rate and extent of groundwater input from the landfill to the sloughs and the lakes can be determined.

Following Council approval on May 14, 1992, a Request for Bids was issued. Advertisements were published in Portland-area newspapers, including The Skanner, a minority-owned newspaper. A prebid conference was held on May 26, 1992 at the landfill. The purpose of this conference was to present highlights of the project, review Metro requirements by providing an opportunity for potential bidders to see the site, and to receive questions from interested parties. Representatives from approximately 10 businesses attended the prebid conference.

One addenda to the Request for Bids document was issued. The addendum responded to potential bidders' concerns that they could not meet the experience requirement by decreasing the requirement (from 500 lineal feet each of abandonment and construction experience to 500 lineal feet total abandonment and construction experience on a landfill). The addendum also deleted the abandonment of two wells and extension of one well, which were located in the Subarea 1 closure area, and needed to be completed early to be coordinated with the closure construction.

One bid submittal was received and opened during a public bid opening meeting on June 5, 1992. The one Bidder and their total bid price is listed below.

BIDDER:	Jensen Drilling Co.
TOTAL BID PRICE:	\$347,625

The apparent lowest responsible, responsive bidder is Jensen Drilling Co. They do not anticipate using any subcontractors.

#### BUDGET IMPACT

\$363,000 is budgeted from the closure account in the 1992-1993 fiscal year for repair, construction, and abandonment of the groundwater monitoring wells at St. Johns Landfill. The \$347,625 bid price is within this budget.

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends Council approval of Resolution No. 92-1632.

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# Memorandum

To: Solid Waste Committee Members

From: John Houser, Council Analyst

Date: June 9, 1992

Re: Resolution No. 92-1632 For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Enter into a Contract with Jensen Drilling Co. for Work Associated with the Groundwater Monitoring Well Improvements and Piezometer Installation at St. Johns Landfill

Resolution No. 92-1632 is scheduled for committee consideration at the June 16 meeting.

## Background

The Council approved the issuance of a Request for Bids for groundwater monitoring well improvement and piezometer installation at St. Johns Landfill at its May 14 meeting. Approximately 10 potential bidders attended a pre-bid conference, but only one bid for the work was actually received. This bid, from Jensen Drilling Co., was for \$347,625. A total of \$363,000 has been included in the FY 92-93 budget for this work.

## Issues and Questions

In considering this resolution, the committee may wish to address the following issues and questions:

1) In the staff report related to the issuance of the RFB, it was noted that most of the proposed work would occur during FY 92-93, but that some monitoring and repair work would occur during the remaining three years of the contract. Under the proposed bid, how much is anticipated to be spent during the first year of the contract and how much is anticipated to be spent on repair and monitoring work during subsequent years of the contract?

2) Since some potential bidders concerns about minimum qualifications resulted in issuance of an addendum, when was the addendum issued? How many days did potential bidders have following the issuance of the addenda to prepare a bid?

3) The staff report notes that certain work was deleted from the proposed contract. What effect does this deletion have on the overall cost of the project?

4) In the opinion of staff, why was only one bid received?