

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Emergency Excavating

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that payment be made to Gerace Construction Company in the amount of \$10,215.96 for emergency services provided.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions Title 1, Chapter 14 §14.35 – 14.44 of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for this purchase are budgeted in the Water Operation and Maintenance Operating Services Account No. 591-4721-861.80-05.

Justification:

On January 21 and 22, 2009, the Right of Way Division, Maintenance and Service Section, utilized Gerace Construction to excavate a deeper than normal water main. Their equipment was already on site due to a construction project in progress at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The portion of the water main where the leak was suspected to be was approximately 15 feet deep and buried in foundry sand and slag. Maintenance and Service Section backhoes would not have been able to excavate this deep without some extraordinary excavation techniques. Continuous sloughing of the banks made the job challenging even with the large excavator.

Council Action:

Council_____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.