



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 03/23/2026

Proposed Resolution No. R26-042- Award Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 26-009B for the Lift Station No. 410 & 414 Force Main Extensions Project to Cacique Utilities, LLC and approve a Construction Contract between the City and Cacique Utilities, LLC in the amount of \$1,078,361.00 plus a 10% contingency in the amount of \$107,836.10 for staff-authorized change orders to address unforeseen field conditions, for a total not-to-exceed contract and purchase order amount of \$1,186,197.10.

Requested Action: City staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R26-042.

Explanation of Request: The existing sanitary sewer clay line serving this service area currently discharges into Lift Station 316 (Pence Park). This pipeline is considered a high-risk asset due to its age, material type, and high conveyed flows. A failure of this line along South Seacrest Boulevard, East Woolbright Road, or SE 1st Street could significantly disrupt sewer service to the Southeast quadrant of the City, with the exception of portions of the Chapel Hill area that were previously transferred to the 24-inch force main as part of the Lift Station 405 Force Main Extension Project.

Following a coordinated effort between the Utilities department and Procurement Services, the City issued an Invitation to Bid on November 26, 2025. Upon closing the solicitation on January 20, 2026, ten sealed bids were received — a turnout that signals strong market competition and robust contractor interest. All submissions were benchmarked against a pre-advertisement Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost to validate reasonableness and ensure competitive pricing.

Following the bid opening, City staff and the City's design consultant, CDM Smith, conducted a comprehensive evaluation of all submitted bids to ensure compliance with the solicitation requirements.

The review process included:

- Verification of responsiveness to all mandatory bid forms and addenda
- Review of contractor licensing and registration status
- Confirmation of bonding capacity and insurance compliance
- Evaluation of documented experience with similar force main installations
- Review of project references and past performance on comparable municipal utility projects
- Examination of bid tabulations for material irregularities, mathematical errors, or unbalanced bid items

As part of the due diligence process, CDM Smith performed a detailed responsibility review of the three lowest bidders in the following order: TCLM Enterprise, Inc., Cacique Utilities, LLC, and Johnson-Davis, Inc. This evaluation included requests for supplemental documentation to clarify experience, staffing, equipment availability, and project execution approach.

Based on the additional information provided and a thorough responsibility determination, CDM Smith concluded that TCLM Enterprise, Inc. did not sufficiently demonstrate the capability and relevant experience necessary to successfully complete this project in accordance with the City's specifications and schedule requirements. Therefore, TCLM Enterprise, Inc. was determined not to be a responsible bidder for this specific scope of work.

CDM Smith subsequently recommended an award to Cacique Utilities, LLC as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$1,078,361.00. Cacique Utilities, LLC has demonstrated relevant experience in municipal force main construction, has satisfactory references, possesses appropriate licensing and bonding capacity, and has the technical and operational capability to complete the work in accordance with the contract documents. A formal Recommendation of Award letter from CDM Smith is attached for Commission review.

Given the nature of underground utility construction and the potential for unforeseen subsurface conditions, conflicts with existing utilities, or field adjustments necessary during installation, staff recommends approval of a 10% construction contingency in the amount of \$107,836.10. This contingency will allow staff to efficiently address unforeseen conditions without delaying construction progress, while maintaining fiscal control within the approved not-to-exceed contract amount.

How will this affect city programs or services? The existing sanitary sewer clay line serving this service area currently discharges into Lift Station 316 (Pence Park). This pipeline is considered a high-risk asset due to its age, material type, and high conveyed flows.

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Completion of the proposed force main extensions will:

- Reduce operational risk associated with aging infrastructure
- Improve system redundancy and resiliency
- Decrease repumping requirements, resulting in energy savings
- Harden critical sewer infrastructure

This project enhances reliability and operational efficiency within the sewer collection system serving District 3.

Budgeted Item: Yes

Account Line Item and Description: SW2201 - Account No. 403-5000-535-65.04

Fiscal Impact: Project has an adopted budget of \$2.5 Million and the total project authorization, including the requested 10% contingency, is \$1,186,197.10.

Attachments:

[R26-042 Agenda_Item_4338-2026_Resolution_for_ITB_Award_and_Cacique_agmt \(2\).docx](#)
[Exhibit A to Resolution - 26-009B Vendor Executed Agreement.pdf](#)
[26-009B Notice of Intent to Award.pdf](#)
[26-009B Recommendation of Award Final Letter.pdf](#)
[Compliance - Bid Analysis_26-009B.pdf](#)
[Executed Concurrence Memorandum.pdf](#)
[CaciqueUtilities - Additional Verification.pdf](#)
[26-009B - Lift Station 410-414 - TG 1.13.pdf](#)
[COI - Cacique.pdf](#)