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Utilities Department Updates

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UTILITY DEPARTMENT UPDATES

1. 8th Street Water Yard Building

Construction of the building is completed. The Final inspection by the County occurred on December 3rd. The building passed inspection. The contractor completed sealing the floor. Crews are currently moving our parts and equipment into the building.

2. SCADA Project Update

The Phase I Radio Survey has been completed. The report was received on October 12, 2020 and reviewed by staff and District Engineer. Comments were submitted to the consultant. There was a workshop on December 4, 2020 with the vendor, District engineer, and staff. The project includes the water system and drainage pumps. We will need to consider options for phasing in this project as it will benefit the District significantly. Next steps would be to begin the design, develop the scope of work and finalize the bid documents.

3. 10th Street Well Issues

The 10th Street well has been out of service since June 15th. After months of setbacks, the lining project is now complete. The good news is we were able to recover most of the bottom of the well and the pump test ran 200 gallons per minute. The next step is to install a new pump and motor. The cost for materials is \$20,353.00 and labor to install the liner is \$4,000.00. The final electrical work needed was completed on December 30th; full operation of the well is anticipated the week of January 18th. Final costs for this phase of work came to \$42,123.49. We have coded to our Capital Improvements Projects general ledger code. Once this well is running into the system, demand on Palisades will be greatly reduced.

4. 3rd Street Well

The 3rd street well has been out of service since 2015. Staff conferred with staff from the State Drinking Water Division on the process required to get this well back into service. Labs have come back within in the required parameters. Crews worked with PG&E to investigate an unbalanced current alarm. The electrical connections were cleaned up on November 4, 2020 and the well is now running. After an evaluation of the motor, it has been recommended that the District replace the existing pump and motor sometime in the near future to ensure the reliability of the well. With this well in service the demand on Palisades and 8th Street wells has been reduced.

5. 16th Street Tanks Inspection

The inspection was performed on December 1, 2020. The reports were delivered on December 14, 2020. Staff has reviewed the reports and there is significant corrosion on both tanks. Staff has asked for a cost estimate for needed repairs. Next steps are to develop the scope of work, and prepare bid documents.

6. Program C Site Selection

At the November 5, 2020 Board of Directors meeting the Board unanimously approved Site E which is the Bayridge site for a new well. Next steps are to continue environmental work with SWCA, begin the bid documents, permitting, and communications with Golden State Water Company.