



# CITY OF SACRAMENTO

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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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May 21, 1985

Budget and Finance Committee  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Pilot Contract Ditch Cleaning Program -- Request to Amend the  
1985/86 Proposed Budget for Water and Sewer, Storm Drainage

### SUMMARY:

This report recommends amendment of the proposed budget for Water and Sewer, Storm Drainage (3159) to include \$37,000 to permit a pilot contract ditch cleaning program. It is proposed that this program be conducted in the Pocket Area and fully funded from the Pocket Sewer Maintenance Fund.

### BACKGROUND:

The Public Works Department has, historically, performed storm drainage ditch cleaning using heavy equipment. In 1985-86 budget, the Water and Sewer Division will pay the Street Maintenance Division approximately \$700,000 through interfund transfer to conduct this program.

The Water and Sewer Division is now proposing to undertake a small pilot program to test the uses of other ditch cleaning and maintenance techniques through contract. It is intended that bid specifications would be written to attract bidders with landscape expertise. The Department is anxious to monitor the sustained effect of maintenance performed from a landscaping orientation in contrast with the heavy equipment approach.

In conjunction with the proposal to intensify Pocket Area sewer maintenance, this pilot program is slated for the same area. This is due to the availability of maintenance funds in the Pocket Area Sewer Maintenance Fund. The proposed \$37,000 contract would be fully funded from this source.

### FINANCIAL:

The requested amendment to the 1985-86 Proposed Budget will increase the Public Works' Water and Sewer, Storm Drainage Budget (425-3149) by \$37,000 in the account entitled


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Maintenance and Repair of Real Property (4241). The Pocket Sewer Maintenance Fund will be listed as a funding source for an additional \$37,000 to fully offset the increased appropriations.

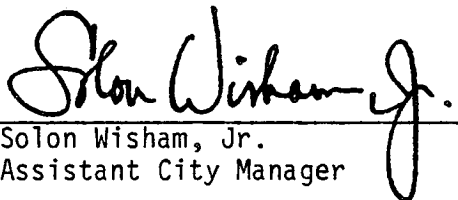
RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the attached Resolution amending the 1985-86 Proposed Budget to include \$37,000 for a Pilot Contract Ditch Cleaning Program.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Melvin H. Johnson  
Director of Public Works

Recommendation Approved:

  
Solon Wisham, Jr.  
Assistant City Manager

Attachment

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# RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 1985/86 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR PUBLIC WORKS' WATER AND SEWER DIVISION, STORM DRAINAGE, TO INCLUDE A PILOT CONTRACT DITCH CLEANING PROGRAM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

That the 1985/86 Proposed Budget be amended to include a Pilot Contract Ditch Cleaning Program in the Public Works' Water and Sewer Division, Storm Drainage Budget (254-3159), in the amount of \$37,000 in account 4241, Maintenance and Repair of Real Property, to be fully funded by the Pocket Sewer Maintenance Fund.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK