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### **Exemption to Competitive "Low-Bid" Procurement Inverness Force Main Project**

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#### **Presentation Overview**

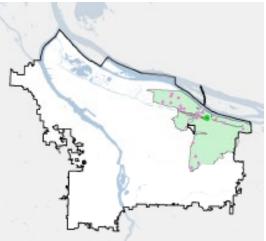
- Project background, context, and objectives
- Low-Bid vs. Alternative Delivery
- Project Budget and Schedule
- Recommendation



# **Inverness Force Main System**



Inverness Pump Station Service Area





### **System and Project Requirements**

- One of BES's top priority projects
  - 4 failures since 2014 2 since 2020 (\$6.3M)
  - Condition of pipe is largely unknown
  - Major social, environmental, and economic risks





### **Project Objectives and Overview**

Provide reliable service between the Inverness
Pump Station and Columbia Boulevard Wastewater
Treatment Plant

#### Project phases:

- Alternatives Analysis and Condition Assessment
- Design
- Construction



### "Competitive" Low Bid vs. Alternative Delivery

#### ORS 279C exemption criteria includes:

- No favoritism or diminished competition
- Potential for cost savings
- Public benefits
- Value engineering
- Public safety
- Reduction in risk to City



### **Alternative Delivery: Progressive Design Build**

- Qualifications-based selection
- Early contractor-designer "ownership"
- Earlier certainty around costs and schedule
- Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Contracting
  - Regional Workforce Equity Agreement (RWEA) and Construction Diversity and Inclusion Policy (CDIP)
    - Supports recruitment of minority and women workers and sub-contractors
    - Anti-harassment protection...and much more



### **Project Budget and Schedule**

- PDB contract estimate (AACE Class 5)
  - \$38-69M
- Project completion by 2027, depending on approved scope

#### **Next Steps:**

- Request for Proposals (RFP)
- Select PDB Contractor team
- Award contract for first phase (report to council)



#### Recommendation

- Accept the factual findings
- Authorize an exemption from competitive "low-bid" procurement







