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## MEMORANDUM

## Action Item 13

TO: Board of Directors  
FROM: Karyn Igar, P.E., Principal Engineer  
DATE: March 25, 2026  
SUBJECT: Chandler & Croddy Wells and Pipeline Project

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve a contract amendment with Butier Engineering, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$55,000 to provide additional Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Chandler & Croddy Wells and Pipeline Project, **and extend the allowed annual authorizations for an additional year**, and authorize the execution of the contract.

### STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #1: Provide an abundant, local, reliable and safe water supply.  
Goal #2: Perpetually renew and improve our infrastructure.

### PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

At its February 8, 2018 meeting, the Board of Directors (Board) awarded a contract to Butier Engineering, Inc. for \$972,480 and a 10% contingency for a contract amount not to exceed \$1,069,728 to provide professional Construction Management Services for the Chandler & Croddy Wells and Pipeline Project.

At its August 13, 2020 meeting, the Board approved on-call professional construction management and inspection services contracts for the Capital Improvement Program Renewal in the amounts of \$1.1MM for Fiscal Year 2021, \$1.6MM for Fiscal Year 2022, and \$1.1MM for Fiscal Year 2023, with the option for two annual renewals of \$500,000 per year, for a total contract authorization amount not to exceed \$4.8MM to be distributed to the following five firms: Black and Veatch, Butier Engineering, Inc., CDM Smith, Inc., Michael Baker International and MWH Constructors.

At its February 11, 2021 meeting, the Board awarded a contract to Gateway Pacific Contractors, Inc. for \$12,975,000 and a 10% contingency of \$1,297,500 for a contract amount not to exceed \$14,272,500 for the equipping of Chandler Well No. 12 and Croddy Well No. 14, and authorized execution of the contract.

At its December 11, 2024 meeting, the Board approved a contract amendment to Butier Engineering, Inc.'s On-Call Professional Construction Management and Inspection Services for an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for continued Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Chandler & Croddy Wells and Pipeline Project.

### BACKGROUND

In 2014, Mesa Water District's (Mesa Water's) Board set a goal to provide 115% of water demands from local, reliable water supplies. To achieve this goal, Mesa Water purchased two properties outside the service area in the City of Santa Ana (City) in 2017 with the intention to drill two new



wells. Croddy Well No. 14 came online in May 2023 and Chandler Well No. 12 came online in April 2024. The pipeline to connect Chandler Well No. 12 and Croddy Well No. 14 to the Mesa Water distribution system is complete and operational. Since completion, Chandler Well No. 12 and Croddy Well No. 14 have been contributing 4,000 gallons per minute each to meet demands. These two new facilities have improved Mesa Water's local reliability and helped achieve the goal of providing 115% of water demands from local, reliable water supplies.

### DISCUSSION

In 2018, Mesa Water executed a contract with Butier Engineering, Inc. (Butier) for construction management services for the Chandler & Croddy Wells and Pipeline Project (Project). Due to delays in the construction of the Project, Butier's efforts were extended under their Capital Improvement Program Renewal (CIPR) On-Call Construction Management Contract. While the Project was substantially completed in April 2024, the final closeout of the project has required additional services from the construction management team. Staff recommends approval of an amendment to Butier's contract for an amount not to exceed \$55,000 and an additional one-year extension to provide additional construction management and inspection services.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

In Fiscal Year 2026, no funds are budgeted for Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Chandler & Croddy Wells and Pipeline Project; the requested funds will come from Cash on Hand.

### ATTACHMENTS

None.