



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

October 27, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager
 Submitted by: Jamie Parks, Director, Public Works
 Subject: Contract No. 32300167 Amendment: POSM Software LLC for Pipeline Observation System Management Software Maintenance and Technical Support

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract amendment with POSM Software LLC for Pipeline Observation System Management software maintenance and technical support, extend the contract through October 31, 2028, increase the contract amount by \$40,000 for a total not to exceed \$88,650, and waiving competitive solicitation requirements on a sole-source basis.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 adopted budget in Fund 611 and Fund 616. Funding for the portion of the contract occurring in FY 2028 and FY 2029 is subject to Council's approval of the proposed citywide budgets.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Software maintenance, updates, and technical support are necessary to ensure the reliable operation of the City's Pipeline Observation System Management (POSM) software. The software supports the City's two IBAK closed-circuit television (CCTV) camera vans and manages wastewater pipeline inspection data collected by the equipment.

Contract No. 32300167 expires on October 31, 2026. The existing contract has a not-to-exceed amount of \$48,650, which was below the \$50,000 threshold requiring City Council approval. The proposed amendment would extend the contract through October 31, 2028 and increase the contract amount by \$40,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$88,650.

The proposed amendment will increase the contract amount above \$50,000 and therefore requires City Council approval. Staff recommends waiving competitive solicitation requirements on a sole-source basis because POSM Software LLC exclusively provides the proprietary maintenance and technical support required for the City's existing system. Extending the contract for two years will prevent disruptions to wastewater inspection operations while Public Works completed implementation of its

new telematics systems and confirms the system integrations. The extension will also allow Information Technology staff sufficient time to evaluate an appropriate cloud-based solution. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract amendment with POSM Software LLC for Pipeline Observation System Management software maintenance and technical support supports the City's Strategic Plan goal of providing state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities.

Effective January 1, 2026, local agencies are required to satisfy noticing requirements for certain contracts for services that meet the criteria outlined in Government Code Section 3504.1 as amended by AB 339. This project does not meet the criteria in Government Code Section 3504.1 and is exempt from the noticing requirement.

BACKGROUND

The City entered into Contract No. 32300167 with POSM Software LLC for software installation, configuration, training, maintenance, and technical support. The agreement was executed on May 18, 2023, for a term beginning November 1, 2022, and expiring October 31, 2025. The City subsequently extended the contract through October 31, 2026.

The current contract has a current not-to-exceed amount of \$48,650. The proposed two-year amendment would increase the total contract amount to \$88,650, requiring City Council approval. The City did not conduct a new competitive solicitation or use a cooperative purchasing agreement because POSM Software LLC develops and supports the proprietary software currently used by the City. Staff therefore recommends that Council waive competitive solicitation requirements on a sole-source basis.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

Continued POSM software maintenance and technical support will enable the City to manage video footage and inspection data collected by its camera vans. This information helps the City identify sewer pipeline problems, prioritize maintenance and repairs, prevent potential failures, and use public resources efficiently.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the two-year amendment will maintain uninterrupted software maintenance, updates, and technical support for the City's wastewater pipeline inspection operations while Public Works completes implementation of its new telematics system and Information Technology evaluates an appropriate cloud-based pipeline-inspection solution. POSM Software LLC is the sole source for vendor-level support of its proprietary software; therefore, continuing the existing contract is the most practical way to maintain system functionality during this transition.

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ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Council could decline to approve the contract amendment. However, the City would no longer have software maintenance or technical support after October 31, 2026, which could disrupt the operation of the POSM system and the City's wastewater pipeline inspection program. City staff cannot independently provide the proprietary licensing, maintenance, updates, or vendor-level technical support required for the system.

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Attachment:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.
**CONTRACT NO. 32300167 AMENDMENT: POSM SOFTWARE LLC FOR PIPELINE
OBSERVATION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND
TECHNICAL SUPPORT**

WHEREAS, the City uses proprietary Pipeline Observation System Management (POSM) software to support wastewater pipeline inspection and manage condition data collected by the City's closed-circuit television (CCTV) inspection equipment; and

WHEREAS, POSM Software LLC and the City executed Contract No. 32300167 on May 18, 2023, for software installation, configuration, training, maintenance, and technical support, with a term beginning November 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Contract No. 32300167 currently has a total amount not to exceed \$48,650 and expires on October 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, continued software maintenance, updates, and technical support are necessary to ensure operation of the City's existing POSM software and access to its wastewater pipeline inspection data; and

WHEREAS, POSM Software LLC develops and supports the specialized proprietary POSM software currently used by the City and is the sole source for vendor-level maintenance and technical support; and

WHEREAS, funding for the additional \$40,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2027 adopted budget in Fund 611 and Fund 616, and funding for the portion of the contract occurring in Fiscal Year 2028 is subject to Council's approval of the proposed citywide budget for Fiscal Year 2028.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32300167 with POSM Software LLC for proprietary POSM software maintenance and technical support, extend the contract term from November 1, 2026, through October 31, 2028, and increase the contract amount by \$40,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$88,650.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council waives competitive solicitation requirements for this amendment because POSM Software LLC is the sole source for maintenance and technical support of the specialized proprietary POSM software currently used by the City.