

RESOLUTION NO. 984

**A RESOLUTION EXEMPTING A CONTRACT WITH ACE CONSULTANTS, INC. FROM
COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS**

The Prineville City Council acting as the public contract review board for the City of Prineville finds as follows:

1. Ace Consultants, Inc. having served as engineers for the design and construction of the expansion of the City's sewer treatment plan as well as the most recent updates to the City's water and wastewater master plans, has knowledge of the City's water and sewer system.
2. Because of Ace Consultants, Inc. experience with the City's water and sewer plan the City will not be required to pay them to gain necessary knowledge of the City's water and sewer system.
3. Ace Engineering has historically provided the City with products in a timely manner.
4. There are either applications before the City or discussions with developers for developments of over 3,000 new lots within in the City that will need to connect to the City's water and sewer systems. The City needs the updates on the sewer and water master plans as soon as possible to meet these growth demands and determine how services will be provided.
5. Preparing specifications, bid documents, and publishing requests for proposals will take additional time.
6. Because of Ace Consultants, Inc. familiarity with the City of Prineville's systems it is most likely their bid would be the lowest bid, and therefore, it is most likely that granting this exemption will not encourage favoritism or substantially diminish competition in awarding the contract.
7. Because of the ability to more quickly update the sewer and water master plans, and therefore potentially increase the City's water and sewer SDCs and the decrease in costs because of not going through the bidding process, exempting the contract between the City of Prineville and Ace Consultants, Inc. or updating the City's water and sewer master plans will result in a substantial cost savings to the City.


BASED UPON the above findings, it is hereby resolved as follows:

The contract between the City of Prineville and Ace Consultants, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$97,500 for updating the City's water and sewer master plans is exempt from competitive bidding.

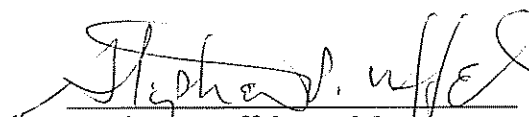
Passed by the City Council this 12th day of October, 2004.

Signed by the Mayor this 12th day of October, 2004

ATTEST:



Robb W. Corbett
City Manager/Recorder



Stephen P. Uffelman, Mayor