

Agenda Item

Orange City Council

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THRU: Jarad Hildenbrand, City Manager

FROM: Christopher Cash, Public Works Director

1. SUBJECT

Authorization of payment for the repair of the existing water main, storm drain, and pavement restoration at the intersection of Santiago Boulevard and Meats Avenue.

2. SUMMARY

The existing 10-inch cast iron pipe main ruptured and caused considerable damage to the street and the storm drain. The break washed away underneath supporting soil and caused a sinkhole near the southwest corner of the intersection. Valverde Construction, Inc. was hired to repair the break and fix the roadway because of their swift response and expertise in this matter. The total cost for these repairs is \$283,843.93.

3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Authorize the appropriation of \$118,000 from the Water (600) unreserved fund balance to:

600-5803-56102 Repair/Maint Services - Facility

2. Authorize the payment to Valverde Construction, Inc. for the repair of the existing water main, storm drain, and pavement restoration at the intersection of Santiago Boulevard and Meats Avenue.

4. FISCAL IMPACT

The expense for this payment is \$283,843.93 and will be funded though appropriation to Water (600) and from unspent salaries and benefits in Water (600):

600-5803-56102 Repair/Maint Services-Facility

Upon approval of this appropriation, the estimated Water (600) fund balance at June 30, 2026 will be \$9,507,893.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 5: Improve Infrastructure, Mobility, and Technology

6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

On October 4, 2025, the Public Works Department Water Division staff detected that Reservoir 2A slowly and steadily drained unexpectedly. Upon further investigation, staff found an extensive break along the existing 10-inch water main at the intersection of Meats Avenue and Santiago Boulevard. The break was large enough to displace and damage a section of the nearby 30-inch storm drain. It also washed away supporting soil and caused a roughly 18 feet x 15 feet x 12 feet sinkhole near the southwest corner of the intersection.

Valverde Construction, Inc. was contacted because of their experience and quick response to similar emergency situations. Prior to this, Valverde Construction, Inc. successfully assisted the City with repairing water transmission and distribution main breaks at other locations in the City. Their workmanship and responsiveness have proven beneficial to the City. Valverde Construction, Inc. promptly repaired the break on a time and material basis under the supervision of City staff. Work was done around the clock under inspection. After completion, time and material tickets and invoices were submitted to the City for review. The total cost for these repairs is \$283,843.93.

The repairs to the water main, storm drain, and roadway restoration have been completed satisfactorily. Staff is requesting the authorization to make final payment to Valverde Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$283,843.93.

7. ATTACHMENTS

Location Map