

#### **MEET THE TEAM**

ABOUT THE PROJECT/PROGRAM

BENEFITS OF DESIGN-BUILD vs DESIGN-BID-BUILD

**INITIAL APPROACH** 

PROJECT RESULTS

LESSONS LEARNED



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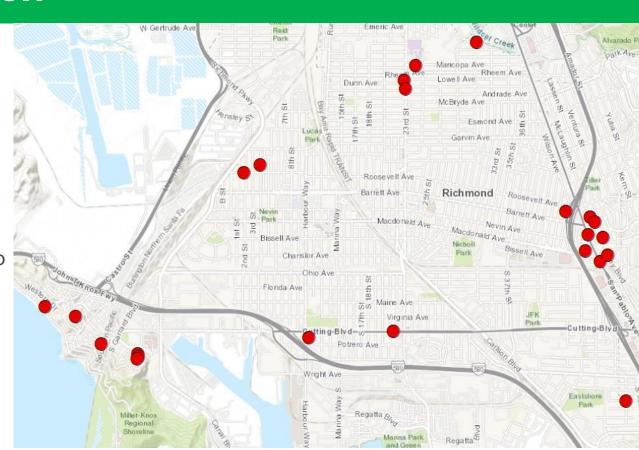


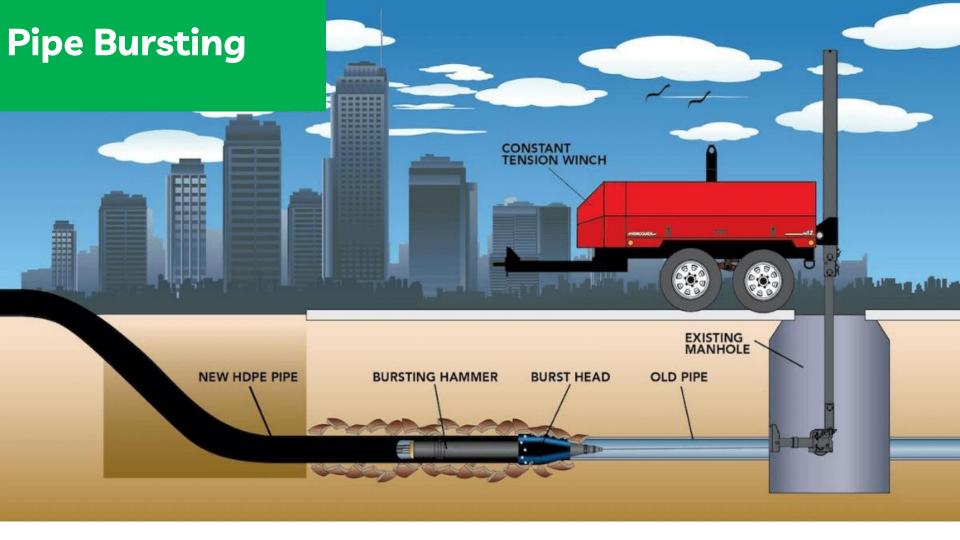


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## **Project Information**

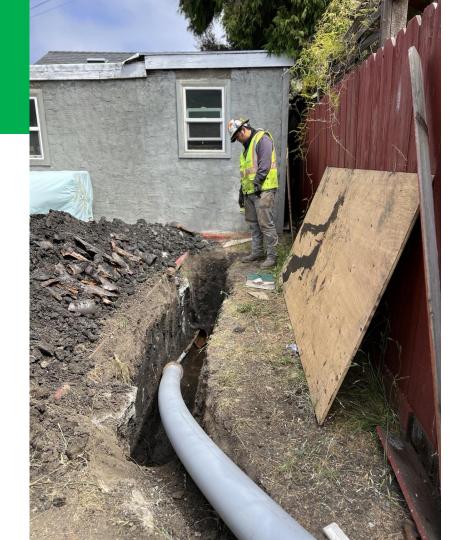
- Approximately 5,480 feet of SS
- Lines replaced viaTrenchless
  Pipe Bursting and traditional open-trench
- Open Cut Utility Crossings
- Diameters range from 6-inch to 18-inch (included upsizing)
- 21 individual sites
- Design Build Project





## History of the Program

- City of Richmond replaces approximately 2 miles (>1%) of sewer line in the sewer collection system every year
- The completion data is shared with regulatory partners
- In 2021-22, the City championed an innovative Design-Build approach for replacing the line segments
- Pilot Program had 2 packages (7 lines and 8 lines)



# Project Considerations & Benefits

- Project Pipe List is developed in a collaborative manner
  - City Public Works,
  - Collections systems operations,
  - o Engineering consultant, and
  - City's Baykeeper Counsel
- Best value for City's investment lines chosen based on:
  - o condition,
  - o capacity considerations,
  - o operational priorities,
  - o location coordination with City's paving plan
- Project delivery method reduces execution times
- Unit pricing provided to City, can add or remove from the project and have defined pricing



#### **Construction Benefits**

- # of Lines gives the Contractor an opportunity to keep their crews productive and engaged.
- Flexibility provided to Contractors to partner with competent and collaborative design partners
- Easement Lines can be worked on for agreements while other work can continue – helps keep crews working
- Keep the crew busy by having laundry list of investigation, preparing to construct, completing pothole/CCTV



# 2022-2023 Project Approach

- City puts out RFP for competitive bid towards end of 2022
  - o (three bids received in 2022).
- Bids required options for Unit Pricing from the Contractor
- Award in March 2023
- Order of Completion can be shifted to avoid down time for Construction Crews
- Weekly Team meetings to track ongoing tasks with many team stakeholders



## **Project Workflow**

- City Provides NTP
- Jacqueline Majors distributes flyer to residents going to be affected
- Contractor begins Investigations (CCTV and utility locating) 1 week
- Designer begins Basemapping (2 days)
- Contractor provides utility data to Designer (Additional 2 days to incorporate)
- 30% Plans Developed
- City Review of Design to verify compliance with Richmond Standards (Vivian Housen - 2 days)
- Design approved, residents notified (D'arcy & Harty posts signs 48 hours in advance)
- Contractor begins work
- Completed construction
- Redlines provided to Designer for record drawings





#### Hiccups along the way

- Easement Work takes a long time to get all necessary signatures
- Older neighborhoods, residents get on Next Door
  - Good and Bad
- Needed to get started on design prior to official NTP, may not work well with other team that did not have the trust already built
  - Harris has worked with D'arcy & Harty on previous DB projects and have long time working relationship
- When lines were changed, crews want to move faster than residents could be notified



# Summary of Benefits/ Lessons Learned

- City of Richmond has taken a chance for trying to establish a method of getting more done for their City
- Deadlines to meet Bay Keeper agreement may not be feasible with the standard design-bid-build timeline
- Timing of the completion has saved the City by completing line replacement within a short timeframe
- Team has worked together and established strong working relationship built on trust
- Allowed City to expand scope of work with favorable pricing



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- Construction of main scope completed between March 2023 and June 2023
  - Design Work completed in very short time frame
  - As potholing was completed, 30% Designs were issued within 3 days to contractor
  - Record Drawings issued once red-lines were provided by the Contractor
- Additional Lines added on a known unit-cost basis.
- Easement line work had to be shifted due to signature collection delays



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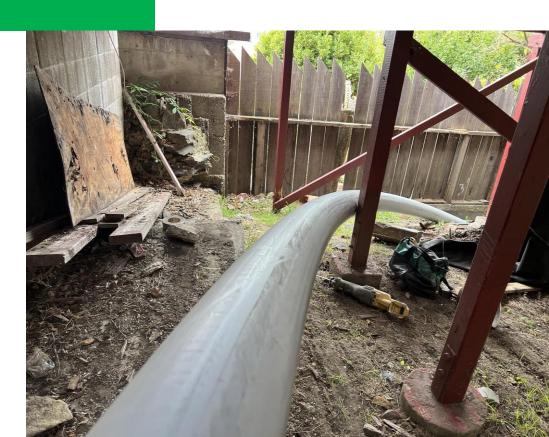
#### Schedule Benefit

- Design and construction shortened to a few months within one calendar year, from multi-year process
- Unit-cost basis allows for City to easily swap or add lines (Can be accommodated because onus is on contractor and designer team)

#### Cost Benefit

- <sup>1</sup>Typical Design-Build on average approximately 20% cost reduction on a price per LF, ranging as high as 40%
- Does not factor in the time-value of money

<sup>1</sup>Costs reduction based on 2023 Dollars, escalated original costs from various projects dating back to 2018



# **THANK YOU**

QUESTIONS?

