



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Amendment to Existing Larry Walker Associates Contract to Extend Regulatory Compliance Services

Recommendation: Authorize the Utilities Director to execute an amendment, subject to legal review, to the existing contract with Larry Walker Associates (LWA) in the amount of \$59,649, increasing the total contract amount to \$805,726, and extending services to support the City's wastewater regulatory compliance through December 2026.

Prepared by: Trever Van Noort, Utilities Director

Council Meeting Date: 01/13/2026

Date Prepared: 01/07/2026

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: Larry Walker Associates (LWA) has provided professional consulting services to the City of Grass Valley and its Wastewater Treatment Plant since 2008, supporting compliance with state and federal wastewater regulatory requirements. These services include permit support, regulatory review, and technical assistance necessary to maintain compliance with environmental standards.

The contract was last amended and approved by City Council in September 2013, bringing the total authorized contract amount at that time to \$746,077.

The City currently operates under a state-issued general wastewater permit administered by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. This permit establishes the regulatory requirements governing wastewater treatment operations. The City's current permit coverage will expire in December 2026.

To ensure continued compliance through the remainder of the permit term, LWA has proposed an amendment to its existing contract that extends services through 2026 and adds four additional tasks related to ongoing regulatory requirements and recent permit updates. Continuing this contract provides regulatory expertise, consistency, and institutional knowledge that supports the City's compliance efforts and helps reduce the risk of enforcement actions or penalties.

Council Goals/Objectives: The execution of this action supports the City's compliance with state and federal wastewater permits and regulations.

Fiscal Impact: This amendment will increase the total contract amount by \$59,649, bringing the new total contract amount to \$805,726. The Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget includes sufficient appropriations within the Wastewater Plant Division to cover the cost of this amendment. No additional budget action is required.

Funds Available: Yes

Account #: 510-802-51110

Reviewed by: City Manager

Attachment:

- LWA Contract Amendment #7 Scope of Services