

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: November 5, 2024
TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director
THROUGH: Crystal Caldera, Ph.D., City Manager
SUBJECT: Presentation, Discussion, and Action to Consider Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into Contracts for the Purchase of 105-Acre Feet of Water Rights
SPONSOR(S): N/A

PURPOSE

This M & C is to authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts for the purchase of water rights. The first contract is for 75-acre feet of water rights and the second contract (still pending) is for 30-acre feet of water rights.

To prepare for future development and current critical period drought management, the city should acquire approximately 300 additional acre feet of water rights. The City currently owns 1780.378-acre feet of water rights, and this will increase our amount to 1885.378-acre feet.

FISCAL IMPACT

75-Acre Feet

Cost per acre foot	\$ 10,600
Total acre feet	<u>x 75</u>
Cost for 75-Acre Feet	\$ 795,000
Closing costs	\$ 6,700 +/-
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$ 801,700 +/-</u>

30-Acre Feet

Cost per acre foot	\$ 11,000
Total Acre Feet	<u>x 30</u>
Cost for 30-acre feet	\$ 330,000
Closing Costs	\$ 6,700 +/-
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$ 336,700</u>

Total for both purchases \$1,138,400 +/-

Approved Budget	\$1,210,000
Remaining Balance	\$ 71,600

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts for the purchase of 105-acre feet of water rights.

APPROVED : _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS :

ATTEST :

SAUNDRA PASSAILAIGUE, TRMC
City Secretary