



CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL
JULY 13, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval to amend the Water Service Connections contract with Murphy Pipeline Contractors, the City's water service installation contractor, to adjust unit costs to reflect an increase in material costs.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Department of Public Works, Water & Sewer Division

KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

- Murphy Pipeline Contractors, formerly D&D Water & Sewer, has been the City's water service connection contractor for many years.
- Fee adjustment is a pass-through for connection fees with no increase to City's cost.
- A 4.2% increase across all line items is being requested to help offset price increases as described in the attached request.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Murphy Pipeline Contractors (MPC), formerly D&D Water & Sewer, has been the City's water service connection contractor since 2004. The owner is requesting an adjustment to the fees for the water service installation contract to help offset the unanticipated increase in material costs, fuel, etc. Revisions are proposed across all unit costs in the contract.

The City and MPC have maintained a professional and positive working relationship for years, and staff agrees the fee adjustment request to be reasonable based on the cost increases across the industry. This fee adjustment would be passed on through the fees paid by the owner of the property being served by the water service. The City Attorney has reviewed this request and has prepared the attached *Addendum to Agreement for Water Service Connections*.

This is a request to amend the agreement approved at the July 7, 2025 City Council meeting. The revised fees would remain in effect for the remainder of the contract through July 2029.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to amend the Water Service Connections contract with Murphy Pipeline Contractors, the City's water service installation contractor, to adjust unit costs to reflect an increase in material costs.