

# AGENDA MEMO

### Business of the City Council City of Sweeny, Texas

Meeting Date	03.19.2024	Agenda Item	
Approved by City Manager	Yes	Presenter(s)	Lindsay Koskiniemi, City Manager Tex Bell, Public Works Director
Reviewed by City Attorney	No	Department	Water, Wastewater – Enterprise Fund
Subject	Presentation and update on Fiscal Year 2024 year-to-date emergency purchases related to water and wastewater.		
Attachments	<ul> <li>Water YTD information with copies of invoices</li> <li>Wastewater YTD information with copies of invoices</li> <li>Notice from TCEQ - Renewal reminder for Permit No. WQ0010297001</li> <li>Strand Task Order to complete 2025 WWTP permit renewal required by Sept 2024</li> <li>2019 WWTP permit renewal package</li> </ul>		
Financial Information	Expenditure Required: Amount Budgeted: Account Number: Additional Appropriation Required: Additional Account Number:		N/A N/A

#### **Executive Summary**

In FY24, we have had several emergency repairs that staff feels will exceed the budget before the fiscal year ends on September 30, 2024.

For the first and second quarter of FY24, \$26,463.25 has been spent on emergency repairs for emergencies that include water well failures, a tree falling on the ground water storage tank etc. The water budget is approx. 88% spent YTD.

For the first and second quarter of FY24, \$32,343.30 has been spent on emergency repairs related to wastewater for mostly for lift station failures. This amount does not include other emergency purchases already approved by City Council such as the return activated sludge pump purchases totaling approx. \$50,000.00. Of the \$90,000.00 budgeted to wastewater in FY24, the City has spent \$96,860.18, putting us approximately 7.6% over budget with 50% of the fiscal year remaining.

Additionally, the City of Sweeny is required to submit a renewal application for the wastewater treatment plant permit every five (5) years. Strand has historically completed the permit renewal application, and the cost is \$18,000, which is not in the City's FY24 budget. The permit is required to be submitted at least 6 months ahead of the permit expiration, which means the permit renewal must occur on or before September 2024, in FY24. A copy of the last permit submittal completed by Strand (2019) is provided with this item.

This update is provided that so that Council will anticipate a budget amendment in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of FY24 for emergency purchases. Staff is hopeful that with the work that has been done in the past few months related to unanticipated emergency repairs that water and wastewater operations will stabilize.



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More information will be provided related to additional CIP recommendations for water and wastewater in preparation of the FY25 budget kick off at a subsequent CIP meeting with City Council.

**Recommended Action** 

No recommended action, update only.