

City Council Meeting

Agenda Item

Data Sheet

Meeting Date: February 17, 2025

Topic:

Workshop Discussion Only – Approve a services agreement renewal with Water Utility Services, Inc. for water sampling and laboratory services for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$175,000, approve the expenditure of funds therefor, and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents related to the purchase. This expenditure is included in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget.

Background:

Water Utility Services, Inc. is a Spring-based lab specializing in sampling and analysis of drinking water and provides proprietary blends of chemicals used in the water and wastewater treatment process.

Water Utility Services performs sampling and analysis required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the City of Tomball’s drinking water and distribution system and groundwater treatment plants to remain within EPA and TCEQ compliance. Water Utility Services also provides proprietary blends of chemicals needed in the treatment process for the City of Tomball’s groundwater treatment (polyphosphate) and wastewater treatment (magnesium hydroxide).

The original services agreement was executed in June 2023 with four additional one-year renewals. We utilized the first renewal in 2024 and staff is requesting to exercise the option to utilize the second renewal term. Based on the City’s adopted Procurement Policy, staff is requesting a services agreement renewal with Water Utility Services, Inc. to perform the required water sampling and lab analysis and provide the necessary water and wastewater treatment chemicals for a not-to-exceed amount of \$175,000.

This procurement is exempt from the competitive bidding requirements under Local Government Code 252.022(2) which does not require procurement for services or chemicals that preserve or protect the public health or safety of a municipality’s residents.

Origination: Project Management

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approving a services agreement renewal with Water Utility Services, Inc. to perform the required water sampling and lab analysis and provide the necessary water and wastewater treatment chemicals for a not-to-exceed amount of \$175,000.

Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda: Meagan Mageo, Project Manager

FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)

Are funds specifically designated in the current budget for the full amount required for this purpose?

Yes: X No:

If yes, specify Account Number: #600-613-6361

#600-613-6110

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If no, funds will be transferred from account # _____

To account # _____

Signed Meagan Mageo

Staff Member

Date

Approved by _____

City Manager

Date