

CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

FROM: Rachel Sykes, Public Works Director

DATE: November 27, 2023

SUBJECT:

Approval to execute an amended and restated Intergovernmental Agreement with The Regional Water Providers Consortium.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Tualatin has been a member of the Regional Water Providers Consortium (RWPC or, 'the Consortium') since its inception in 1997. The Consortium serves as a collaborative and coordinating organization to improve the planning and management of municipal water provision in the Portland metro region, and is currently comprised of 25 member organizations. City staff actively participate in the various sub-groups of the Consortium: highlights of Tualatin's work with the RWPC will be shared during the Council meeting.

The governing IGA of the Regional Water Providers Consortium was last updated in 2005. Since that time, the organization has grown and evolved requiring a needed update to the IGA. The Consortium and its members, including City of Tualatin representatives, have conducted a review and update of IGA language. At its meeting on October 4, 2023, the Consortium Board unanimously approved the updated IGA language with recommendation that all Consortium members take the IGA to their respective governing boards for approval.

Below is a summarized list of changes made to the IGA. Overall, the amended and restated IGA has little impact on how the City of Tualatin participates with the RWPC.

- New and updated definitions added including types of members: "Associate Member" and "Full Member" and defines "Region". The RWPC is expanding these definitions to allow members from a wider geographic area. Tualatin is and will continue to be a "Full Member".
- Removal of outdated Metro references from when Consortium was formed
- Update of purposes of Consortium to align with mission statement and Strategic Plan
- Update of Participant language regarding "Associate Members"
- Update of withdrawal language to encourage timely notification

- Update to dues language (primarily for Associate Members)
- Added obligation and Board authority to maintain a Strategic Plan to guide its work and removed obligation to update Regional Water Supply Plan
- Added language regarding the roles and responsibilities of the Executive Committee
- Update to language to reflect current best practices for agreements

OUTCOMES OF DECISION:

Approval of the IGA will continue Tualatin's membership and participation with the Regional Water Providers Consortium.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

For the 2023/24 fiscal year, Tualatin paid \$21,399.00 in membership dues to the Consortium. Membership dues are determined by number of customer accounts and average water demand, and are not affected by this update to the IGA.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution 5742-23
- Proposed IGA Document
- Presentation Slides