



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**City Commission Agenda Memo**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**#23-1059**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE:** November 21, 2023

**TITLE:** Motion Approving Termination for Convenience an Agreement to Construct  
a Carbon Dioxide pH Control System for the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant  
- RF Environmental Services, Inc. - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the termination for convenience of an agreement with RF Environmental Services, Inc. for the construction of a carbon dioxide pH control system for the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant.

**Background**

On June 6, 2023, the City Commission approved an agreement No. 12748-933. with RF Environmental Services, Inc. for the construction of the Carbon dioxide PH Control System, in the amount of \$2,990,000. However, there were concerns regarding the level of investment and the subsequent replacement of the Water Treatment Plant in approximately three (3) years. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) had indicated that the water treatment plant's lack of a pH control system was listed as a deficiency in their inspection report. Staff discussed the concerns raised by the Commission with representatives from the EPA and the State of Florida's Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Both agencies concluded that the installation of the pH control system would not be required since the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant replacement is imminent. Confirming that the project would not be required by the EPA or the FDEP, the decision was taken to terminate the project.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 - Termination for Convenience Letter  
Exhibit 2 - Agreement

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