



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

#25-0866

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: October 7, 2025

TITLE: Motion Approving Proprietary Purchases for Water Distribution, Wastewater Collection and Treatment Facilities (estimated \$6,408,541) and Stormwater System Infrastructures (estimated \$2,688,000) - (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the purchase of proprietary items on an as-needed basis for the Water Distribution, Wastewater Collection, and Treatment Facilities in the estimated amount of \$6,408,541 and Stormwater System Infrastructures in the estimated amount of \$2,688,000.

Background

The Utility Services Department operates two (2) water treatment facilities, one (1) regional wastewater treatment facility, 186 sanitary sewer pump stations, and five (5) stormwater stations. Utility Services also maintains over 1,400 miles of buried infrastructure. Each year, over 14 billion gallons of potable water are delivered to approximately 250,000 residents, businesses, and guests in Fort Lauderdale and adjacent areas and over 14 billion gallons of wastewater are collected and treated.

The Public Works Department operates and maintains the stormwater management system, which includes 9,722 catch basins, 1,043 outfalls, and 197.2 miles of stormwater pipes.

To meet service demands, both the Utility Services Department and Public Works Department rely on a variety of equipment. The existing equipment is providing reliable services, but the around-the-clock operation in an abrasive and corrosive environment rapidly wears them down. When a piece of equipment requires replacement, it is less expensive to replace it with an exact match from the manufacturer, thus avoiding the cost of reengineering or reconfiguring the surrounding equipment.

Replacement parts, repairs, and services are often needed throughout the year. In the aggregate, purchases from any one (1) vendor may exceed \$100,000. Pursuant to Section 2-181(f)(3), Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without the necessity of public bids, when a proprietary item is not readily available from more than one (1) supplier, manufacturer, or person and is unique in nature. Exhibit 1 provides a proprietary list of suppliers, and a description of the materials, equipment, items and/or services to be provided, if required.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the estimated amount of \$6,408,541 and \$2,688,000 for the purchase of proprietary items for the Water Distribution, Wastewater Collection, and Treatment Facilities and Stormwater System Infrastructures, respectively. Funds for the purchases described are available in the FY 2026 Operating Budget in each of the Departments' accounts listed below.

Utility Services Department

<i>Funds available as of October 1, 2025</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-450-7301-536-30-3404	Distribution and Collection	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$2,530,979	\$2,530,979	\$390,000
10-450-7304-526-30-3404	Meter Shop	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$706,613	\$706,613	\$75,000
10-450-7315-536-30-3404	Collections Systems Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$364,838	\$364,838	\$112,000
10-450-7316-536-30-3404	Installation/ Repairs Operations	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$491,479	\$491,479	\$479,000
10-450-7317-536-30-3401	Pump Station Maintenance	Computer Maintenance	\$2,531,037	\$2,531,037	\$124,000
10-450-7317-536-30-3404	Pump Station Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$2,531,037	\$2,531,037	\$1,232,000
10-450-7403-536-30-3404	Fiveash Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$837,437	\$837,437	\$837,000
10-450-7404-536-30-3404	Fiveash Operations	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$8,034,906	\$8,034,906	\$75,000
10-450-7405-536-30-3404	Peele Dixie Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$306,630	\$306,630	\$306,600
10-450-7406-536-30-3719	Peele/Dixie Operations	Services & Materials/ Scale Inhibitor	\$1,820,812	\$1,820,812	\$480,000
10-450-7408-536-30-3799	Wastewater Lab	Other Chemicals	\$60,509	\$60,509	\$6,000
10-450-7408-536-30-3999	Wastewater Lab	Other Supplies	\$60,509	\$60,509	\$5,500

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-450-7409-536-30-3919	Biology Lab	Services & Materials/ Laboratory Supplies	\$43,941	\$43,941	\$43,941
10-450-7410-536-30-3299	Water Lab	Other Services	\$62,370	\$62,370	\$8,500
10-450-7410-536-30-3404	Water Lab	Component Parts	\$62,370	\$62,370	\$6,500
10-450-7410-536-30-3799	Water Lab	Services & Materials/ Laboratory Supplies	\$62,370	\$62,370	\$5,000
10-450-7410-536-30-3919	Water Lab	Lab Supplies	\$62,370	\$62,370	\$5,000
10-450-7410-536-30-3999	Water Lab	Other Supplies	\$62,370	\$62,370	\$9,000
10-451-7423-536-30-3404	Lohmeyer Regional Plant Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$1,204,370	\$1,204,370	\$1,203,500
10-451-7423-536-60-6499	Lohmeyer Regional Plant Capital Outlay	Other Equipment	\$1,215,720	\$1,215,720	\$1,005,000
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$6,408,541

Public Works Department

<i>Funds available as of October 1, 2025</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-470-7340-538-30-3404	Stormwater	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$2,913,650	\$2,913,650	\$40,000
10-470-7340-538-30-3437	Stormwater	Improvement Repair & Maintenance	\$2,913,650	\$2,913,650	\$500,000
10-470-7341-538-30-3404	Stormwater Op Swales	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$361,290	\$361,290	\$150,000
10-470-7342-538-30-3401	Storm Drain Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Computer Maintenance	\$1,120,994	\$1,120,994	\$500,000
10-470-7342-538-30-3404	Storm Drain Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$1,120,994	\$1,120,994	\$1,485,000
10-470-7342-538-30-3407	Storm Drain Maintenance	Equipment Repair & Maintenance	\$1,120,994	\$1,120,994	\$13,000
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$2,688,000

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 3: Be a sustainable and resilient community.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Ready.

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040* Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Sanitary Sewer, Water, and Stormwater Element
- Goal 2: To develop and maintain an adequate wastewater collection and treatment system, which meets existing and projected needs of the City and adjacent users in the Central Wastewater Region.
- Goal 3: Develop and maintain an adequate water supply, treatment, and distribution system, which meets the existing and projected needs of the service area in an efficient, economical, and environmentally sensitive manner.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 - List of Proprietary Vendors and Equipment

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