

#20-0614

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: September 1, 2020

**TITLE**: Motion Approving the Increase in Funds to the Annual Sewer Repairs and

Replacement Contract - Various Contractors - \$4,000,000 -

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an increase in funds to the Annual Sewer Repairs and Replacement Contract No. 12204-293 with Hinterland Group Inc., Luna Development Corp., and Southern Underground Industries, Inc. in the total amount of \$4,000,000 for a new contract total of \$6,000,000.

### **Background**

On September 3, 2019, the City Commission awarded the three contracts for the Annual Sewer Repairs and Replacement. The contracts were for the aggregate amount of \$2,000,000 for the initial two-year term and authorize the City Manager to approve two one-year renewal options contingent upon appropriation of funds (CAM 19-0760).

The contracts were awarded as follows:

- Hinterland Group Inc. \$666,667
- Luna Development Corp. \$666,667
- Southern Underground Industries, Inc. \$666,666

Since the date of award, the Utilities Public Works Department has managed several water and sewer repairs throughout the City. As of today, staff has successfully completed over \$1,000,000 of repairs (Exhibit 1). These repairs were not scheduled projects but needed emergency attention due to the complexity and the total impact they presented to the Utilities Operation Systems.

In addition, staff has scheduled over \$1,600,000 of repairs to be completed in the existing contracts (Exhibit 2).

Staff has absorbed all the Annual Sewer Repairs and Replacement Contract funds for this year due to the number of repairs that required immediate attention. Staff is requesting to increase the funds to \$4,000,000 in order to address a backlog of repairs

(Exhibit 3). The list in Exhibit 3 only represents what has been investigated and identified for repair. New repairs are added on a regular basis to be completed.

The work that has been accomplished under this contract includes, but is not limited to, the rehabilitation of 8-inches to 36-inches diameter mainline sanitary sewers and water mains, point repairs of mainlines and laterals, manhole repairs, testing and sealing of pipe joints, flow bypass, and related activities required to provide a complete and functional rehabilitation of the mainlines in the wastewater collection and water distribution systems. The Public Works Utilities staff currently identified several new projects that need Wastewater Conveyance System Long-Term Rehabilitation services, for an additional amount of \$4,000,000. This increase would bring the new contract total to \$6,000,000.

### **Resource Impact**

There will be a current fiscal year impact to the City in the amount of \$1,600,000 for this cap increase. Funds for this increase are available in the FY 2020 Operating Budget in the account listed below. Future years' expenditures are contingent upon the approval and appropriation of the annual budgets.

Funds available as of August 19, 2020					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
450-PBS060101-3437	Utilities Engineering Operations	Services & Materials / Improvement Repair & Maintenance	\$7,224,825	\$2,108,376	\$1,600,000
			TOTAL		\$1,600,000

## **Strategic Connections**

This item supports the *Press Play* Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 2: Build a sustainable and resilient community
- Objective: Proactively main our water, wastewater, stormwater, road, and bridge infrastructure

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

# **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Repairs Completed in FY20

Exhibit 2 – Scheduled Repairs for Current Contract for FY20

Exhibit 3 – Backlog Repairs to be Completed

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