



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#15-1097

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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: October 6, 2015

TITLE: Motion to Approve Proprietary Purchases for Water Distribution,
Wastewater Collection, and Stormwater System Infrastructures and
Treatment Facilities - \$1.5 million (estimated cost)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of proprietary items on an as-needed basis for the water distribution, wastewater collection, and stormwater system infrastructures and treatment facilities.

Background

The Public Works Utilities Division operates two water treatment facilities, one wastewater treatment facility, over 200 sanitary sewer pump stations, and four stormwater stations. The Division also maintains over 1,500 miles of buried infrastructure. Each year, over 14 billion gallons of potable water are delivered to approximately 250,000 neighbors and guests. Additionally, over 14 billion gallons of wastewater are collected.

To meet service demands, the Public Works Utilities Division relies on a variety of equipment. The existing equipment is providing reliable service but the around-the-clock operation in an abrasive and corrosive environment rapidly wears down the equipment. When a piece of equipment requires replacement, it is less expensive to replace the equipment with an exact match, avoiding the cost of reengineering or reconfiguring the surrounding equipment.

Replacement parts, repairs, and service are often needed throughout the year. In the aggregate, purchases from any one vendor may exceed \$25,000. Pursuant to Section 2-189, 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. As defined by the Code, a proprietary item is not readily available from more than one supplier, manufacturer, or person and is unique in nature.

Exhibit 1 provides a list of each vendor, a description of the material and/or service provided, and the annual expenditures for the past five years. The vendors listed offer the City favored customer pricing which is as good as, or better than, the pricing offered to other governmental agencies.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the estimated amount of \$1.5 million for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016. This amount is based on FY 2015 expenditures. The projected expenditures are contingent upon approval and appropriation of the FY 2016 Budget.

Purchases are made on an as-needed basis and charged to the individual operating budget per available funds, and in accordance with established pricing.

Funds are available in the Water and Sewer Fund, Regional Wastewater Fund, Stormwater Fund, and the Water and Sewer General Capital Projects Fund.

| <i>Funds available as of October 1, 2015</i> | | | | | |
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| ACCOUNT NUMBER | INDEX NAME (Program) | CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME | AMENDED BUDGET (Character) | AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character) | AMOUNT |
| 450-PBS660510-3404 | Collections Systems Maintenance | Components & Parts | \$175,808 | \$175,808 | \$54,090 |
| 470-PBSA660511-3404 | Storm Drain Maintenance | Components & Parts | \$269,758 | \$269,758 | \$11,095 |
| 450-PBS660602-3404 | Pump Station Maintenance | Components & Parts | \$1,718,201 | \$1,718,201 | \$38,657 |
| 450-PBS670302-3404 | Fiveash Maintenance | Components & Parts | \$715,343 | \$715,343 | \$78,655 |
| 450-PBS670304-3404 | Peele Dixie Maintenance | Components & Parts | \$231,570 | \$231,570 | \$117,559 |
| 450-PBS670305-3404 | Peele Dixie Operations | Components & Parts | \$1,420,655 | \$1,420,655 | \$258,586 |
| 451-PBS670502-3404 | Lohmeyer Regional Plant Maintenance | Components & Parts | \$1,217,521 | \$1,217,521 | \$924,193 |
| TOTAL → | | | | | \$1,482,835 |

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included with the Infrastructure Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 2: Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective 1: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, road and bridge infrastructure.

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

Attachment(s)

Exhibit 1 – List of Proprietary Vendors and Equipment

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