



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

#16-0970

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

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

DATE: September 7, 2016

TITLE: Motion to Approve Additional Expenditures for Proprietary Purchase of
Equipment for Water Distribution, Wastewater Collection, and Stormwater
System Infrastructure and Treatment Facilities - \$477,000 (estimated)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve additional expenditures in the total amount of \$477,000 for Fiscal Year 2016 purchases of proprietary items, on an as-needed basis, for water distribution, wastewater collection, and stormwater system infrastructure and treatment facilities.

Background

In Fiscal Year 2016, the City Commission approved \$1.5 million for proprietary purchases necessary to maintain the City's water distribution, wastewater collection, and stormwater system infrastructures and treatment facilities (Commission Agenda Memo 15-1097). Due to an increase in repairs because of the age of the utilities infrastructure, additional funds in the amount of \$477,000 are required.

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 Utilities Division also maintains over 1,500 miles of buried infrastructure. Annually, the bureaus of Distribution and Collections and Water and Wastewater Treatment are responsible for delivering over 14 billion gallons of potable water and collecting over 14 billion gallons of wastewater from approximately 250,000 neighbors.

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

While replacement parts, repairs, and services are often needed throughout the year, individual proprietary purchases 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 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, the approved funding in FY2016, and the additional funding required to continue providing the same level of service during the remainder of FY 2016. 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 current year fiscal impact to the City in the estimated amount of \$477,000. Purchases are made on an as-needed basis and charged to the individual operating budget per available funds. 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 August 11, 2016</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
450-PBS660510-3404	Collections Systems Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$202,308	\$24,668	\$10,000
450-PBS660101-3404	Distribution and Collection	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$1,004,965	\$365,659	\$250,000
450-PBS660602-3404	Pump Station Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$1,740,721	\$57,408	\$50,000
450-PBS670302-3404	Fiveash Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$773,518	\$54,947	\$35,000
450-PBS670304-3404	Peele Dixie Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$346,970	\$106,015	\$50,000
450-PBS670305-3404	Peele Dixie Operations	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$1,472,583	\$228,300	\$50,000
451-PBS670502-3404	Lohmeyer Regional Plant Maintenance	Services & Materials/ Components & Parts	\$1,264,046	\$404,746	\$32,000
TOTAL →					\$477,000

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

Exhibit 1 – List of Proprietary Vendors and Equipment

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