### City of Fort Worth, Texas

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 09/16/25 **M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 25-0865

LOG NAME: 20SWM PHARR ST STORM DRAIN AND W/WW REPLACE-WESTWOOD DESIGN

#### **SUBJECT**

(CD 11) Authorize Execution of an Engineering Agreement with Westwood Professional Services, Inc. in the Amount of \$298,270.00 for Design of the Pharr Street Storm Drain Project, Adopt Appropriation Ordinances to Effect a Portion of Water's Contribution to Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Authorize execution of an engineering agreement with Westwood Professional Services, Inc. in the amount of \$298,270.00 for design of the Pharr Street Storm Drain project (City Project No. 105550);
- 2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Water and Sewer Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$283,665.00, transferred from available PayGo funds in the Water and Sewer Fund, for the purpose of funding the Pharr Street Storm Drain project (City Project No. 105550) to effect a portion of Water's Contribution to Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program; and
- 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance adjusting estimated receipts and appropriations in the Drainage Rev Bonds Series 2023 Fund, by increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Pharr Street Storm Drain project (City Project No. 105550) in the amount of \$510,000.00 and decreasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Stormdrain Pipe Rehab programmable project (City Project No. P00114) by the same amount, for the purpose of converting to a static project; and
- 4. Amend the Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize execution of a contract with Westwood Professional Services, Inc., which will provide engineering and design services to replace the deteriorated stormwater, water, and sanitary sewer systems under Pharr and Gilvin Streets. The roadway will be paved after the proposed improvements are completed.

In March 2024, the City repaired a sinkhole on Pharr Street and, upon doing so, discovered the need to replace the entire stormwater system under Pharr and Gilvin Streets. The Transportation and Public Works Department, Stormwater Division will collaborate with the Water Department to complete the replacements of the stormwater and water/sewer infrastructure.

In May 2021, the Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW), Stormwater Management Division (SWMD), published a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for various engineering consulting services. Forty-five consultants responded to the RFQ for the project development and design service area with Statements of Qualifications (SOQ). An evaluation team of three City staff subject matter experts from the SWMD of TPW scored the SOQs based on company experience, prior projects, workload, and team experience. The City's Business Equity team also evaluated the SOQ's. A pool of twenty-one consultants was selected based upon these scores to be matched with specific projects. Based on this scoring, Westwood Professional Services, Inc. was selected as the most qualified consultant to perform development and design services for this project.

Westwood Professional Services, Inc., proposes to complete design and engineering services for a fee in the amount of \$298,270.00; TPW Stormwater will fund \$158,905.00, and the Water Department will fund \$139,365.00. The services provided will include data collection and design for the replacement of water, sanitary sewer, and stormwater pipes, and the replacement of pavement on Pharr and Gilvin Streets in the affected areas. Staff considers the fee to be fair and reasonable for the proposed scope of services. In addition; \$214,300.00 (Stormwater: \$70,000.00; Water: \$47,400.00; Sanitary Sewer: \$96,900.00) is necessary for project management, permits, utility coordination, public meetings, and material testing. This project will have no impact on the Transportation & Public Works Department or the Water Department's operating budgets when completed. The sanitary sewer component of this project is part of the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Initiative Program of the Water Department.

It is the practice of the Water Department to appropriate its CIP plan throughout the Fiscal Year (FY), instead of within the annual budget ordinance, as projects commence, additional funding needs are identified, and to comply with bond covenants.

The actions in the M&C will appropriate funds in support of the Water's portion of the City of Fort Worth's Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program, as follows:

Capital Fund Name	Project Name	FY2025 CIP Appropriations	Authority	Budget Adjustment	Revised FY2025 Budget

56002 - W&S Capital Projects – Fund	Pharr Street Storm Drain - CPN (105550)	\$0.00	This M&C	\$283,665.00	\$283,665.00	
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Funding is budgeted in the Transfer to Water/Sewer account of the Water and Sewer operating budget for the purpose of funding the Pharr Street Storm Drain project.

## FY2025 - Water PAYGO Appropriations per City Ordinance 27107-09-2024

FY2025 Original Adopted PayGo	FY2025 Amended PayGo (includes any council actions subsequent to budget adoption)	YTD PayGo Approved for/Moved to Capital Projects	This M&C	FY2025 Remaining PayGo Balance
\$92,597,771.00	\$145,458,196.00	(\$78,904,493.00)	(\$283,665.00)	\$66,270,038.00

Note: There may be other pending actions or recently approved actions that are not reflected in the table due to timing.

Fund	Existing Appropriations	Additional Appropriations	Project Total
Drainage Rev Bonds Series 2023 – Fund 52008	\$510,000.00	\$0.00	\$510,000.00
W&S Capital Projects - Fund 56002	\$0.00	\$283,665.00	\$283,665.00
Project Total	\$782,000.00	\$283,665.00	\$1,065,665.00

Funding is budgeted in the Drainage Rev Bonds Series 2023 Fund for the TPW Department for the purpose of funding the Pharr Street Storm Drain project, as appropriated.

Recommendation 3 will adjust appropriations between Stormdrain Pipe Rehab programmable project (City Project No. P00114) and convert the Pharr Street Storm Drain project (City Project No. 105550) into a static capital project. This action is needed as future funding for this project is anticipated from other funding sources and the scope of this project differs from that of the current programmable project.

The project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 11.

## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the Water & Sewer Fund and in the Pharr Street Storm Drain project within the Drainage Rev Bonds Series 2023 Fund, and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the W&S Capital Projects and the Drainage Rev Bonds Series 2023 Funds for the Pharr Street Storm Drain project to support the above recommendations and execution of the engineering agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Transportation & Public Works and Water Departments have the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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