

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 06/27/23

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 23-0559

LOG NAME: 23NCTCOG SOLID WASTE IMPLEMENTATION GRANT (FY2024)

SUBJECT

(ALL) Ratify Application for and, if Awarded, Authorize Acceptance of a Solid Waste Implementation Grant from the North Central Texas Council of Governments in an Amount Up to \$200,000.00 to Purchase a Skid-Steer Loader and Attachments, Authorize Execution of Related Grant Agreements, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Ratify an application for and, if awarded, authorize the acceptance of a Solid Waste Implementation Grant in an amount up to \$200,000.00 from the North Central Texas Council of Governments to purchase a skid-steer loader and attachments to support efforts to abate litter, illegal dumping, and nuisances in the City of Fort Worth; and
 2. Authorize the City Manager to execute all applicable grant agreements including renewals and amendments; and
 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Capital Project Other Fund in an amount up to \$200,000.00, subject to receipt of the grant, for the purpose of funding the purchase of a skid-steer loader and attachments.
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DISCUSSION:

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Solid Waste Implementation Grant Program is intended to support municipal solid waste projects for local governments. Every two years, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) allocates funds generated by landfill tipping fees to the twenty four councils of governments located in the State of Texas. Use of these funds include administration of pass-through grant programs, like this one, among many others. The Code Compliance Department is applying for this grant to purchase equipment which will support efforts to abate litter, illegal dumping, and nuisances in the City of Fort Worth (City).

Cleaning up illegally dumped solid waste and related nuisances requires the use of heavy equipment. Staff frequently utilize skid-steer loaders for co-locating, organizing, and loading litter and debris. If awarded, the City will use these funds to purchase an additional skid-steer loader and attachments to support litter abatement crews and to increase staff efficiency when addressing work orders and clean up requests. The Code Compliance Department is presently using one skid-steer loader. An additional skid-steer loader will support ongoing efforts for a clean and safe city. Since no City salaries will be charged to this grant, indirect cost recovery does not apply

The grant does not require a local match.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education:
NCTCOG

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the current capital budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Capital Project Other Fund. The Code Compliance Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Code Compliance Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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