

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 60WSSC19WSMLP1-GRATEX

SUBJECT

(CD 9 and CD 11) Authorize Execution of a Contract with Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc., in the Amount of \$8,949,903.00 for Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement Contract 2019 WSM-L Project Part-1 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance to Effect a Portion of Water’s Contribution to the Fiscal Years 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize execution of a contract with Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc., in the amount of \$8,949,903.00 for Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement Contract 2019, WSM-L project Part-1; and
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Water and Sewer Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$9,774,623.00, from available PayGo residuals, for the purpose of funding the Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement Contract 2019 WSM-L project (City Project No. 103380) and to effect a portion of Water’s contribution to the Fiscal Years 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

This Mayor & Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize execution of a construction contract with Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc., in the amount of \$8,949,903.00 for the replacement of cast iron water and/or deteriorated sanitary sewer mains as indicated on the following streets and alleys:

Street	From	To	Scope of Work	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Livingston Avenue	Cleburne Road	W. Biddison Street	Water/ Sewer	9 and 11
Cleburne Road	Livingston Avenue	W. Cantey Street	Water/ Sewer	9
Stanley Avenue	Cleburne Road	W. Berry Street	Water	9
W. Berry Street	Livingston Avenue	James Avenue	Water/ Sewer	9
Alley between Livingston Avenue and Stanley Avenue	Cleburne Road	W. Devitt Street	Sewer	9
Alley between Stanley Avenue and James Ave	200 feet south of W. Berry Street	225 feet south of W. Devitt Street	Sewer	9

Additionally, asphalt pavement rehabilitation will be conducted on all the roadways curb to curb subsequent to the water and sanitary sewer main replacement.

The project was advertised for bids on November 12, and November 19, 2025, in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*. On December 18, 2025, the following bids were received:

Bidder	Amount	Time of Completion
Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc.	\$8,949,903.00	650 Calendar Days
SYB Construction, Inc	\$9,286,740.76	
William J. Schultz, Inc. dba Circle C Construction Company	\$9,786,194.00	
Woody Contractors, Inc.	\$11,535,831.00	

Western Municipal Construction of Texas, LLC	\$13,607,657.00	
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Small Business (SB) Goal - Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc is in compliance with the small business goal.

In addition to the contract amount, \$511,473.00 (Water: \$383,533.00, Sewer: \$127,940.00) is required for project management, material testing, and inspection. Project contingencies are provided in the amount of \$313,247.00 (Water: \$234,584.00; Sewer: \$78,663.00).

This project will have no impact on the Water Department's operating budget when completed. The sanitary sewer component of this project is part of the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Initiative Program of the Water Department. Approximately 10,620 linear feet of cast iron water pipe and 4,150 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipe will be removed and replaced as part of this project.

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

Funding is budgeted in the Unspecified-All Funds project within the Water and Sewer Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the W/SS Contract 2019 WSM-L project.

Appropriations for the Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement Contract 2019 WSM-L project are as depicted below:

Fund	Existing Appropriations	Additional Appropriations	Project Total*
W&S Capital Projects - Fund 56002	\$1,181,787.00	\$9,774,623.00	\$10,956,410.00
Project Total	\$1,181,787.00	\$9,774,623.00	\$10,956,410.00

*Numbers rounded for presentation purposes.

The project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICTS 9 and 11.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the Unspecified-All Funds project within the W&S Capital Project Fund, and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the W&S Capital Projects for the W&SS Contract 2019 WSM-L project to support the execution of the construction contract. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Water Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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