City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 11/28/23 **M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 23-1008

LOG NAME: 602020WSMB-GRATEX

SUBJECT

(CD 5 and CD 11) Authorize Execution of a Contract with Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc., in the Amount of \$5,916,688.00, for Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Contract 2020 WSM-B Project, Amend Transportation & Public Works Department's Contribution to the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program and Adopt Appropriation Ordinances to Effect a Portion of Water's Contribution to the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 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 \$5,916,688.00 for Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Contract 2020 WSM-B project;
- 2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Water and Sewer Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$5,113,456.00, transferred from available funds within the Water and Sewer Fund, for the purpose of funding Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Contract 2020 WSM-B project (City Project No. 103359) to effect a portion of Water's contribution to the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program:
- 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance adjusting estimated receipts and appropriations in the General Capital Projects Fund by increasing receipts and appropriations in Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Contract 2020 WSM-B project (City Project No. 103359) in the amount of \$1,476,388.00, and decreasing receipts and appropriations in the Contract Street Maintenance programmable project (City Project No. P00020) by the same amount; and
- 4. Amend the Transportation & Public Works Department's Contribution to the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

This Mayor & Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize execution of a construction contract for the replacement of cast iron water and deteriorated sanitary sewer mains as indicated on the following streets and alleys:

Street	From	То	Scope of Work	Council Districts
Birdell Court	Carol Avenue	Ramey Avenue	Water/Sewer	5
Booker T. Street	Andrew Avenue	Stalcup Road	Water/Sewer	5
Stalcup Road	Elgin Street	Ramey Avenue	Water	5
Rickenbacker Place	Stalcup Road	Farrell Lane	Water	5
Alley between Bong Drive and Capers Avenue	Stalcup Road	Farrell Lane	Sewer	5
Alley between Lester Granger Street and Ramey Avenue	Farrell Lane	East 600 feet	Sewer	5
Hatcher Street	Wiman Drive	E. Berry Street	Water/Sewer	11
Reed Street	Village Creek Road	E. Berry Street	Water/Sewer	11

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

The Water Department's share of this contract is \$4,600,130.00, and the Transportation & Public Works Department's share of the contract is \$1,316,558.00.

The project was advertised for bids on August 10, 2023 and August 17, 2023, in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. On September 14, 2023, the following bids were received:

Bidder	Amount	Time of Completion	
Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc.	\$5,916,688.00	400 Calendar Days	
Woody Contractors, Inc.	\$6,984,649.21		
R&D Burns Brothers, Inc.	\$7,108,528.42		
Venus Construction, Inc.	\$7,234,514.00		
Jackson Construction, Ltd.	\$8,552,149.00		

In addition to the contract amount, \$423,323.00 (Water: \$178,396.00; Sewer: \$150,925.00; Paving: \$94,002.00) is required for project management, material testing and inspection, and \$249,833.00 (Water: \$98,640.00; Sewer: \$85,365.00; Paving: \$65,828.00) is provided for project contingencies. The sanitary sewer component of this project is part of the Water Department's Sanitary Sewer Overflow Initiative Program. Approximately 6,920 linear feet of cast iron water pipe will be removed and replaced as part of this project.

This project will have no impact on the Transportation & Public Works' or the Water Department's operating budgets when completed.

The action in this M&C will amend TPW's contribution to the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program as follows:

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Capital Fund Name	Project Name	FY2024 CIP Appropriations	Authority	Budget Adjustment	Revised FY2024 Budget
General Capital	P00020 - Contract Street Maintenance	\$31,171,443.00	This M&C	\$(1,476,388.00)	\$29,695,055.00

It is the practice of the Water Department to appropriate its 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. 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 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program, as follows:

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Capital Fund Name	Project Name	FY2024 CIP Appropriations	Authority	Budget Change (Increase/Decrease)	Revised FY2024 Budget
W&S	103359-				
Capital	W&SS				
Projects -	Contract	\$0.00	This M&C	\$5,113,456.00	\$5,113,456.00
Fund	2020				
56002	WSM-B				

Funding is budgeted in the Contract Street Maintenance programmable project within the General Capital Projects Fund and in the Transfer to Water/Sewer account of the Water and Sewer operating budget for the purpose of funding the W&SS Contract 2020 WSM-B project within the Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund.

Appropriations for the Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Contract 2020 WSM-B project are as depicted below:

Fund	Existing Appropriations	Additional Appropriations	Project Total*
Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund 56002	\$470,034.00	\$5,113,456.00	\$5,583,490.00
General Capital Projects Fund 30100	\$0.00	\$1,476,388.00	\$1,476,388.00
Project Total	\$470,034.00	\$6,589,844.00	\$7,059,878.00

^{*}Numbers rounded for presentation purposes.

Business Equity: Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc., is in compliance with the City's Business Equity Ordinance by committing to 12 percent MWBE participation on this project. The City's MWBE goal on this project is 9 percent.

The project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICTS 5 and 11.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the Contract Street Maintenance programmable project within the General Capital

Projects Fund and in the Water & Sewer 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 Fund and the General Capital Projects Fund for the W&S Contract 2020 WSM-B project to support the above recommendations and execution of the contract. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Water and Transportation & Public Works Departments have the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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