

Mayor and Council Communication

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M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-0080

LOG NAME: 60SECONNECTORA1-KHA

SUBJECT

(CD 8) Authorize Execution of Amendment No. 1 with Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc., in the Amount of \$564,100.00 for the Southeast Connector Project, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance to Effect a Portion of Water’s Contribution to the Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize execution of Amendment No. 1 in the amount of \$564,100.00, to City Secretary No. 59598, an engineering agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the Southeast Connector Project for a revised contract amount of \$1,121,900.00; and
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$797,700.00, from available PayGo residuals in the Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund, for the purpose of funding the Southeast Connector project (City Project No. 104513) to effect a portion of Water’s contribution to the Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

On May 23, 2023 Mayor & Council Communication (23-0413) the City Council authorized an Engineering Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$557,800.00 for design oversight and project management services on Southeast Connector. Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) entered into an Agreement with South-Point Constructors (SPC) to identify and construct highway improvements in southeastern part of Tarrant County including portions of the Interstate Highway (IH)-20W, IH-820, and United States (US) 287 corridors within the City. TXDOT and SPC control the schedule timeline, the scope, and the total cost of this project. These improvements affect the City’s water and wastewater infrastructure which must often be relocated.

Amendment No. 1 will provide additional design and construction support services as SPC continues to expand the highway project. The proposed scope of services consists of project management; plan reviews of drawings provided by the contractor or other engineers; construction support services including attending pre-construction meetings, on-site observations, construction progress meetings, and shop drawing reviews; project meetings with City, stakeholders, contractors, other consultants, and citizens and conflict analysis along IH-20W, IH-820, and US 287.

In addition to the contract amount \$233,600.00 (Water: \$117,050.00; Sewer: \$116,550.00) is required for project management and inspection, easement negotiations, and land costs.

SPC will reimburse the City for this agreement and future amendments on the project in accordance with the Southeast (SE) Connector Project Utility Adjustment Agreement (PUAA).

This project will have no impact on the Water Department operating budget when complete.

It is the practice of the Water Department to appropriate its Capital Improvement Program (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:

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Capital Fund Name	Project Name	FY2025 CIP Appropriations	Authority	Budget Change (Increase/ Decrease)	Revised FY2025 Budget
Fund 56002 – W&S Capital Projects	104513 – Southeast Connector Project	\$0.00	This M&C	\$797,700.00	\$797,700.00

Funding for the Southeast Connector is depicted below:



Fund	Existing Appropriations	Additional Appropriations	Project Total*
W&S Capital Projects – Fund 56002	\$937,800.00	\$797,700.00	\$1,735,500.00
Project Total	\$937,800.00	\$797,700.00	\$1,735,500.00

*Numbers rounded for presentation purposes.

Funding is available in Water Department's Unspecified-All Funds Project within the Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the Southeast Connector project.

Business Equity: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. agrees to maintain its initial MBE commitment of 5 percent that it made on the original agreement and extend and maintain that same MBE commitment of 5 percent to this first amendment. Therefore Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. remains in compliance with the City's BDE Ordinance and attests to its commitment by its signature on the Acceptance of Previous MBE Commitment form executed by an authorized representative of its company.

This project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 8.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the Unspecified-All Funds project within the W&S Capital Projects 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 Fund for the Southeast Connector project to support the approval of the above recommendations and execution of the amendment. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Water Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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