

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 04/22/25 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-0334

LOG NAME: 13P COOP HGAC SC06-24 SMOKE TESTING AO WATER

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize the Execution of a Purchase Agreement with Dukes Root Control, Inc Using Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Contract No. SC06-24 for the Purchase of Smoke Testing Products for an Annual Amount Up to \$101,147.45 and Authorize Two, One-Year Renewal Options for the Same Amount for the Water Department

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize an agreement with Duke's Root Control, Inc using Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Contract No. SC06-24 for the purchase of smoke testing equipment and related products for an annual amount up to \$101,147.45 and authorize two, one-year renewal options for the same amount for the Water Department.

DISCUSSION:

The Water Department approached the Purchasing Division to enter into an agreement with Duke's Root Control, Inc for the purchase of smoke testing equipment products under Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Contract No. SC06-24. The Water Department will utilize the agreement to purchase smoke testing equipment, which enables field inspection staff to quickly identify sources of inflow entering the sanitary sewer system. It will help minimize disruptions to residents and businesses within the study area.

State law provides that a local government purchasing an item under a cooperative purchase agreement satisfies any state law requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for the purchase of the item. BuyBoard contracts are competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities across the State of Texas.

The maximum annual amount allowed under the agreement will be \$101,147.65 per year. However, the actual amount used will be based on the needs of the department and available budget. Funding is budgeted in the Other Contractual Services account within the Water & Sewer Fund for the Water Department.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDERS - In addition, an administrative change order or increase may be made by the City Manager up to the amount allowed by relevant law and the Fort Worth City Code and does not require specific City Council approval.

RENEWAL OPTIONS – The initial term of this Agreement will end on May 31, 2026. The Agreement may be renewed for two additional one-year periods through May 31, 2028. This action does not require specific City Council approval provided that City Council has appropriated sufficient funds to satisfy the City's obligations during the renewal terms.

An M/WBE goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or public entity.

This project will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the recommendation, funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the Water & Sewer Fund. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Water Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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