

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(CD 7 and TARRANT COUNTY) Authorize Execution of Amendment No. 1 in the Amount of \$1,009,580.00 to an Engineering Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc., for a Revised Contract Amount of \$2,152,892.00 for the Bonds Ranch Lift Station, Force Main, and Gravity Main 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 \$1,009,580.00 to an Engineering Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (City Secretary Contract No. 59868) for the Bonds Ranch Lift Station, Force Main, and Gravity Main project (City Project No. 104490) for a revised contract amount of \$2,152,892.00; and
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance adjusting estimated receipts and appropriations in the Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2024 Fund by increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Bonds Ranch Lift Station, Force Main, and Gravity Main project (City Project No. 104490) in the amount of \$1,075,580.00 and decreasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Commercial Paper project (City Project No. UCMLPR) by the same amount, to effect a portion of Water’s contribution to the Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

On June 27, 2023, Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) 23-0544 authorized an engineering agreement in the amount of \$1,143,312.00 with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (City Secretary Contract No. 59868) for design of the Bonds Ranch Lift Station, Force Main and Gravity Main. The project provided for the design of an 11.5 Million Gallons Per Day Lift Station A (“LSA”) along with Force and Gravity Mains to accommodate continued growth on the east side of Eagle Mountain Lake.

Amendment No. 1 will provide for the design for a 10.5 Million Gallons Per Day Lift Station B (“LSB”) that in conjunction with LSA, will provide sanitary sewer service to the area west of Morris Dido Newark Road and south of Peden Road.

Freese and Nichols, Inc. proposes to provide the necessary design services for the lift station and related appurtenances for a fee of \$1,009,580.00. Staff considers the proposed fee to be fair and reasonable for the scope of services proposed.

In addition to the contract amount, \$66,000.00 is required for project management.

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.

Funding is available in the Commercial Paper project within the W&S Rev Bonds Series 2024 Fund for purpose of funding the Bonds Ranch LS(B)/FM/GM project.

Funding for the Bonds Ranch Lift Station, Force Main, and Gravity Main Project is depicted below:

Fund	Existing Appropriations	Additional Appropriations	Project Total*
Fund 56022 – W&S Rev Bonds Series 2024	\$2,074,075.00	\$1,075,580.00	\$3,149,655.00
Project Total	\$2,074,075.00	\$1,075,580.00	\$3,149,655.00

*Numbers rounded for presentation purposes.

The project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 7 AND TARRANT COUNTY.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the Commercial Paper project within the W&S Rev Bonds Series 2024 Fund and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the W&S Rev Bonds Series 2024 Fund for the Bonds Ranch LS(A)/FM/GM 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 of verifying the availability of funds.

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