

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 10/11/22

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-0817

LOG NAME: 23LAKE ARLINGTON EMERGENCY CLEAN UP

SUBJECT

(CD 5) Authorize the Ratification of Expenditures in the Amount of \$122,423.82 with The Cleaning Guys, LLC for Emergency Flood Response Clean-Up at Lake Arlington

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council ratify expenditures in the amount of \$122,423.82 with The Cleaning Guys, LLC for emergency flood response clean-up performed at Lake Arlington.

DISCUSSION:

Heavy rainfall and subsequent flooding from August 21st through August 23rd, 2022 created challenges across the community. Waterways and waterbodies including the Trinity River, Lake Worth, and Lake Arlington were heavily impacted with large amounts of litter and debris. On August 25th, 2022, the Fort Worth City Council approved a disaster declaration through September 27, 2022 to allow time for damage assessment and clean-up following the storms and related impacts. Similar declarations were made by the State of Texas and Tarrant County.

When possible, multi-agency staff resources and volunteers collaborated to lead clean-up efforts. Staff responded to residents near Lake Arlington and determined that clean-up efforts required contractor support. The Code Compliance Department obtained a quote from a current, pre-qualified emergency response vendor, The Cleaning Guys, LLC, for services to remove litter and debris as a unified effort to promote clean-up, protection of property, and water quality at Lake Arlington. The clean-up was necessary to restore recreation and other beneficial uses at the lake and, ultimately, to support quality of life. The Cleaning Guys, LLC provided the necessary personnel and equipment to remove, bag, and prepare debris and trash accumulated on Lake Arlington for disposal. The City provided roll-off containers, grapple loaders, and disposal.

The estimated costs for service exceeded the remaining amount on the existing contract. City staff recognized the need to quickly execute an emergency response operation. To achieve a timely clean-up, an interoffice memorandum and non-purchase order voucher was approved by the City Manager's Office to authorize payment for emergency clean-up services from the City of Fort Worth Code Compliance Department existing fund reserves. This Mayor & Council Communication ratifies this expenditure.

Funding is budgeted in the Code Compliance Department's rollup within the General Fund.

Lake Arlington is located within COUNCIL DISTRICT 5.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Fund to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the emergency contract. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Code Compliance Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

Submitted for City Manager's Office by: Valerie Washington 6199

Originating Business Unit Head: Brandon Bennett 6322

Additional Information Contact: David B. Carson 6336