# City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 13PCOOP HGAC SEWER AND ROOT CONTROL - ROOT ERADICATION HO WAT

### SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of Agreement with Duke's Root Control Inc. for Sewer Root Control and Root Eradication Services Using Houston Galveston Area Council Cooperative Agreement H-GAC SC01-21 in an Amount Up to \$300,000.00 for the Water Department

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an agreement with Duke's Root Control Inc. for sewer root control and root eradication services using Houston Galveston Area Council Cooperative Agreement H-GAC SC01-21 in an amount up to \$300,000.00 with no renewal options for the Water Department.

### DISCUSSION:

The Water Department approached the Purchasing Division to procure chemical root control services to maintain sewer pipes. Root Control Services consist of sending a low-pressure jet hose from manhole to manhole while foaming a root inhibitor in sewer pipes ranging from 4 inches to 48 inches to prevent roots from damaging sewer lines.

Staff recommends awarding an agreement to Duke's Root Control, Inc. using HGAC Cooperative Contract SC01-21 for root control services in an amount up to \$300,000.00. Funding is budgeted in the Other Contractual Services account within the Water & Sewer Fund for the Wastewater PM And Cleaning Department

AGREEMENT TERM - The agreement will begin upon execution and will expire on December 31, 2024.

RENEWAL OPTIONS - In accordance with the terms of the H-GAC Contract there are no renewal options available.

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. H-GAC contracts are competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDER - 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.

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

#### FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

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

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