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Legislation Text

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To: Mark R. Hafner, City Manager

From: Alonzo Liñán, Director of Public Works

Subject:

Consider a resolution approving an agreement with Hardin & Associates Consulting, LLC (HAC), for the purpose of completing State-Mandated Customer Service Inspections of private water systems, and authorizing the City Manager to execute all contract documents on behalf of the City of Keller.

Action Requested:

Consider a resolution approving an agreement with HAC for the performance of Customer Service Inspections (CSIs).

Background:

On August 25, 2015, The City of Keller was issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for managing an ineffective Cross Connection Control Program. A Cross Connection Control Program is designed to protect the drinking water supply from contamination due to backflow. To resolve the violation, the TCEQ instructed Keller to re-evaluate its program and perform Customer Service Inspections (CSIs) of connections to the city water system to confirm that no health hazard to public exists.

Since 2015, \$244,600 has been budgeted toward resolving the NOV. As of August 2017, \$207,120 has been used to inspect cross connections. The remaining \$37,480 is insufficient to sustain the program through FY18.

The proposed Agreement with Hardin & Associates Consulting, LLC is to conduct the CSIs and to maintain the city's commitment to TCEQ in establishing an effective Cross Connection Control Program.

To date, 898 CSIs of existing non-residential properties have been completed. This total represents 576 of initial inspections and 322 of re-inspections resulting in an average of 1.6 inspections per establishment. City staff has identified that there are 230 of non-residential and 2,011 of residential properties remaining to be inspected. On average, 39 inspections per month can be conducted by the third party contractor.

Budget Impact:

Funding is available in the Public Works Water-Wastewater fund fiscal year 2018 proposed operating budget.

Financial Considerations:

The resolution is contingent upon approval of the proposed Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Annual Budget.

Citizen Input/Board Review:

Not applicable.

Legal Review:

The Agreement has been reviewed by the City Attorney.

Alternatives:

City Council has the following alternatives:

- Approve as submitted
- Approve with changes
- Denial

Council Action:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed resolution as presented, contingent upon approval of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Annual Budget.