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AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting February 17, 2026
Second Reading February 24, 2026

DATE: February 17, 2026

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Amendment No. 2 to the Master Services Agreement with Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. and a Construction Manager-At-Risk contract amendment with Garney Companies, Inc. for the Evangeline/San Patricio Co. Groundwater Program

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing Amendment No. 2 to the Master Services Agreement with Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. of San Antonio, Texas for construction management and inspection services in the amount of \$13,065,100.00, for a total contract amount of \$28,465,100.00; and Amendment No. 1 to the Construction Manager-At-Risk (CMAR) contract with Garney Companies, Inc. of Kansas City, Missouri for construction services in the amount of \$182,389,792.00, for a total contract amount of \$185,389,792.00, for the Evangeline/San Patricio Co. Groundwater Program; and amending the FY 2026 Capital Budget, with FY 2026 funding available from Water Capital Fund.

SUMMARY:

On September 23, 2025, City Council authorized a Master Services Agreement with Pape-Dawson Engineers to conduct preliminary design work for the project, work with HDR Engineering on a connection to the Mary Rhodes Pipeline (MRP) and negotiate access easements with the real property owners.

On December 16, 2025, City Council authorized execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Master Services Agreement with Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. of San Antonio, Texas for design services in the amount of \$15,000,000.00 and execution of a CMAR contract with Garney Companies, Inc. of Kansas City, Missouri for pre-construction services to assist in the design in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 for the Evangeline/San Patricio Co. Groundwater Program.

This ordinance continues Pape-Dawson's work and authorizes execution of Amendment No. 2 to the Master Services Agreement with Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. of San Antonio, Texas for construction management and inspection services in the amount of \$13,065,100.00 and execution of a CMAR contract amendment with Garney Companies, Inc. of Kansas City, Missouri for construction services in the amount of \$182,389,792.00 for the Evangeline/San Patricio Co. Groundwater Program.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Pape-Dawson amendment expands Pape-Dawson's role to include comprehensive construction-phase services necessary to deliver the Evangeline Wellfield on the accelerated schedule required under the City's Emergency Declaration. The Evangeline project has evolved into a complex, multi-front construction effort involving 24 wells, roughly 35 miles of pipeline, a 24-MGD high-service pump station, a 3-MG ground storage tank, and a transmission connection to the Mary Rhodes Pipeline. To manage this scale and pace, the amendment formalizes the need for Owner Advisor services, Construction Management and Inspection (CMI), and Design Engineer construction-phase support—functions that were not included in the original design-phase task order. The goal of the amendment is to ensure the City has the technical, managerial, and field-level capacity required to keep this highest-priority water-supply project on schedule and to mitigate risks. By adding structured oversight, daily field representation, rapid engineering response, and disciplined change management, the amendment strengthens the City's ability to maintain cost, schedule, and quality control across all work fronts and reliably bring new groundwater supplies online as quickly as possible.

The Garney amendment expands Garney's role to establish the baseline engineering, procurement assumptions, and scope definition necessary to advance the Evangeline Wellfield under the accelerated schedule required by the City. The Evangeline program is being delivered under a hybrid CMAR model and now encompasses construction of 22 new 16-inch production wells, temporary pumping systems to support early water delivery, and tens of miles of PVC and HDPE transmission pipelines, valves, and appurtenances needed to convey groundwater. Because design packages are still progressing toward 60% completion, this amendment formalizes the design basis, well-field layouts, pipeline quantities, and 30% electrical and instrumentation documents that allow procurement to proceed in parallel with engineering. These baseline documents provide the structure needed to maintain schedule continuity and ensure that long-lead materials, electrical equipment, and well-field components can be advanced without delay.

This amendment authorizes the drilling of 22 production wells; the procurement of 24 well pumps; the purchase of associated pipe, valves, and fittings; completion of the MRP connection; and the acquisition of electrical equipment and other critical long-lead materials.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative is that the City Council could choose not to approve the Amendment No. 2 to Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. and Amendment No. 1 to Garney Companies, Inc. and to pursue no further design development and construction efforts. Not approving the amendment will require the City to notify Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. and Garney Companies, Inc. of the City's intent to terminate their contract. The City will identify all work that has already commenced and needs to be completed prior to the effective date of termination. Both Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. and Garney Companies, Inc. would submit a final invoice for work performed within 45 days of notice of termination.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for Corpus Christi Water in FY26 is \$13,065,100.00 for Pape-Dawson Engineering, Inc. amendment no. 2 and \$182,389,792.00 for a Construction Manager-At-Risk (CMAR) contract amendment with Garney Companies, Inc. The FY26 Adopted Capital Budget did not allocate funding for this construction management, inspection and construction services; an amendment is now required to incorporate the necessary resources to support these agreements. The fiscal impact for Corpus Christi Water in FY 2026 to perform construction management, inspection and construction services for the Evangeline Groundwater Program is

an amount not to exceed \$196,000,000.00, with funding available from the Water Capital Fund.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 4493 - Water Evangeline 2026 CIP Rv Bds
Department: 45 - Water
Organization: 89 – Capital & Grants
Project: 27100 - Evangeline/San Patricio Co. Groundwater Program
Account: 550910
Activity: 27100

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance authorizing execution of Amendment No. 2 to the Master Services Agreement with Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. of San Antonio, Texas for construction management and inspection services in the amount of \$13,065,100.00 and execution of a Construction Manager-At-Risk (CMAR) contract amendment with Garney Companies, Inc. of Kansas City, Missouri for construction services to in the amount of \$182,389,792.00 for the Evangeline/San Patricio Co. Groundwater Program.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. Amendment No. 2 Proposal
Garney Companies, Inc. Amendment No. 1 Proposal
Certification of Funds (COF)
Presentation