



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting July 23, 2024

DATE: July 23, 2024

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Laboratory Supplies for Corpus Christi Water

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing a five-year supply agreement with IDEXX Distribution Inc., of Westbrook, Maine, in an amount not to exceed \$765,437.80, for the purchase of laboratory supplies for Corpus Christi Water, with FY 2024 funding of \$22,726.00 from the Water and Wastewater Funds.

SUMMARY:

This is a resolution for a five-year supply agreement for laboratory supplies with IDEXX Distribution Inc.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Corpus Christi Water (CCW) has utilized IDEXX products since 2007. IDEXX tests are used for drinking water total coliform testing and wastewater enterococci testing and enumeration, both of which are required by regulatory permits. IDEXX tests are the only approved TCEQ tests that allow for water and wastewater microbiological samples to be analyzed and read within 24 hours. Additionally, IDEXX products eliminate laboratory errors and reduce sample processing time significantly. The National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP) approval is specifically for IDEXX products and cannot be deviated from, due to compliance requirements for our city and many others in the Coastal Bend that our laboratories serve.

The TCEQ requires enterococci sample testing at the City's six wastewater treatment plants. Enterococci testing for all the wastewater treatment plants is conducted in-house at the Greenwood Wastewater Treatment Plant Laboratory. In-house testing is cost-effective and provides the flexibility to test during off-shift hours when necessary. The CCW Laboratory also

tests drinking water samples for CCW, as well as both drinking water and wastewater samples for over 50 outside submitters from surrounding public water systems and wastewater systems.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

IDEXX is the vendor currently providing our laboratory supplies. IDEXX Distribution, Inc. is the sole manufacturer and supplier in the United States water testing market. This testing is required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

The pricing on the laboratory supplies will be locked in for five years, which averages approximately 3% annually.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative to accepting this bid would be to require CCW to purchase laboratory supplies on an as-needed basis, which could cause delays due to the procurement process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for Corpus Christi Water for FY 2024 is \$22,726.00 from the Water and Wastewater Funds.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund:	4010	Water
Organization/Activity:	31700	Water Utilities Laboratory
Department:	45	Water
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520030	Chem/hsld supplies
Amount:	\$16,406.00	

Fund:	4200	Wastewater
Organization/Activity:	33100	Broadway Wastewater Treatment Plant
Department:	46	Wastewater
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520030	Chem/hsld supplies
Amount:	\$1,580.00	

Fund:	4200	Wastewater
Organization/Activity:	33110	Oso Wastewater Treatment Plant
Department:	46	Wastewater
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520030	Chem/hsld supplies
Amount:	\$1,580.00	

Fund:	4200	Wastewater
Organization/Activity:	33120	Greenwood Wastewater Treatment Plant
Department:	46	Wastewater
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520030	Chem/hsld supplies
Amount:	\$1,580.00	

Fund:	4200	Wastewater
Organization/Activity:	33150	Whitecap Wastewater Treatment Plant
Department:	46	Wastewater
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520030	Chem/hsld supplies
Amount:	\$1,580.00	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution authorizing a five-year supply agreement with IDEXX Distribution, Inc. for laboratory supplies for Corpus Christi Water as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution
Price Sheet
Supply Agreement