



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of October 20, 2015  
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of October 27, 2015

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**DATE:** September 30, 2015

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### **Work Plan and Budget Agreement**

Nueces River Authority  
FY 2015 - 2016

### **CAPTION:**

Motion authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a work plan and budget agreement with the Nueces River Authority in the amount of \$99,996 to provide water planning, protection, development, and data management services to the City of Corpus Christi for FY 2016.

### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this agenda item is to obtain authority to execute a work plan and budget with the Nueces River Authority to provide water planning, protection, development, and data management services to the City of Corpus Christi for FY 2016.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

In June 2005, the City Council approved Resolution 026340 authorizing the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Nueces River Authority (NRA) for regional water planning, protection, and development services. The NRA is a government agency having broad authority to preserve, protect, and develop water resources; provide for flood control, irrigation, and navigation; finance water supply, wastewater treatment and pollution control projects. In general, NRA provides for regional water resource development, management, and protection throughout the Nueces Basin and adjoining areas. NRA is a co-sponsor, along with the City of Corpus Christi, of the Choke Canyon Reservoir. The NRA owns twenty-percent of the water rights of the Choke Canyon Reservoir.

Each year since 2005 and passage of Resolution 026340, the City has entered into yearly agreements with NRA for the services associated with water supply and planning.

This agreement will authorize the NRA to provide continued services for water planning, protection, development, and data management services for the City in FY 2016, and the contract scope includes the following aspects:

- Regional and inter-regional coordination and resource development and protection;
- Monitor, investigate and coordinate water rights, water quality and environmental issues;
- Regional water management;
- Outreach; and
- Other services

NRA works closely with the City to track and report information related to regional water use, monitor water quality data, coordinate water quality protection efforts, and monitor activities within the basin that could possibly affect the City's water supply. Information provided by NRA is used by the City to support its planning and management with respect to water supply.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Authorize the execution of the agreement.
2. Do not authorize the execution of the agreement. (Not Recommended)

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

Section 2 of Resolution 026340 also authorized the City Manager to make editorial and non-substantive modifications and execute amendments to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement without the further approval of the City Council for items that do not require the appropriation of additional funds or exceed the City Manager's authority to amend contracts. This includes, but is not limited to, time extensions, modifications to schedule, modifications in scope of work, and any changes dictated by entities providing grant funding for the project.

**CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

Conforms to City Fiscal Policy

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-Emergency

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Environmental and Strategic Initiatives  
Utilities Department

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**☒ Operating☐ Revenue☐ Capital☐ Not applicable

<b>Fiscal Year 2015-2016</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget		\$104,996.00		\$104,996.00
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This Item		\$99,996.00		\$99,996.00
Future Anticipated Expenditures This Project		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
BALANCE		\$0.00		\$0.00

Fund(s): Water Operating

**RECOMMENDATION:**

City Staff recommends approval of the work plan and budget agreement with the Nueces River Authority in the amount of \$99,996 to provide water planning, protection, development, and data management services to the City of Corpus Christi for FY 2016.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Project Budget  
Agreement  
Presentation