



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting September 29, 2020

DATE: September 29, 2020

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Air Quality Monitoring Service

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing an interlocal cooperation agreement with Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi (TAMUCC) in the amount not to exceed \$150,499.58 for air quality monitoring service through December 31, 2021, effective upon issuance of a notice to proceed, with funding available in the No. 1071 Community Enrichment Grant fund.

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes an interlocal cooperation agreement with TAMUCC to conduct air quality monitoring services.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

On May 12, 2020, the City Council approved a State Funded Grant Agreement with the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for air quality planning activities in areas considered to be near non-attainment for the ozone standard under the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. The activities may include without limitation identifying, inventorying, and monitoring of current pollution levels; modeling future pollution levels and the identification and quantifications of potential pollution reduction through voluntary control. These activities will be consistent with TCEQ monitoring, inventory, and modeling approaches and infrastructure, and conduct air quality planning activities in the Coastal Bend Region.

TAMUCC has been a partner with the City's air quality planning activities for the Coastal Bend Region through the TAMUCC's Pollution Prevention Partnership program. An interlocal agreement with the university will utilize research groups to collaborate with the City to accomplish tasks and submit air monitoring data to TCEQ.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative to conduct air quality monitoring would be to solicit firms to competitively bid these tasks.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be no fiscal impact for the General Fund in FY 2020. Funding is provided by the TCEQ Grant Agreement for staff administrative time and subcontractor services.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1071 Community Enrichment Grants
Organization/Activity:	TCEQ 20-21 806069S
Mission Element:	074 Environ & Regulatory Review
Project # (CIP Only):	n/a
Account:	30000 Professional Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing an interlocal cooperation agreement with Texas A&M Corpus Christi as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Interlocal Cooperation Agreement