



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of April 13, 2021

**DATE:** April 13, 2021

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### **Purchase of One Kut Kwick Mower for Utilities**

#### **CAPTION:**

Resolution authorizing the purchase of one replacement Kut Kwick mower from KUT KWICK Corporation, of Brunswick, Georgia for a total amount of \$124,602.00, which will be used to mow grass and tall brush at the Choke Canyon Dam by the Utilities Department, with FY 2021 funding available through the Equipment Replacement Fund.

#### **SUMMARY:**

This motion authorizes the purchase of one Kut Kwick mower to be used at Choke Canyon Dam. This unit will replace a 1999 Kut Kwick mower.

#### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Choke Canyon Reservoir is located approximately 70 miles northwest of Corpus Christi. It has a capacity of 662,821 acre-feet. The United States Bureau of Reclamation financed, designed, and built the reservoir, which was dedicated on June 8, 1982. The City operates and maintains the facility.

Choke Canyon Reservoir receives inflow from the Frio River Watershed. The Watershed covers an area of 5,529 square miles from Three Rivers in the south to Kerr County in the north. Water from the reservoir travels down into the Frio River, which flows into the Nueces River and then Lake Corpus Christi.

Staff maintains 3.5 miles of downstream slope embankment for dam safety. This enclosed mower unit will protect staff from the numerous large wild beehives and the extreme heat. Staff will also use the mower to maintain other embankments at the reservoir.

## **CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT**

This is a sole source purchase. Kut Kwick Corporation is the sole source manufacturer and distributor of this mower. All sales of this equipment are factory direct and cannot be purchased through any other source.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative to purchasing this unit is to lease-purchase or continue to maintain brush and weed control by hand and by using chemicals.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact for FY 2021 is a total amount of \$124,602.00 for the purchase of one Kut Kwick mower to be funded through the Fleet Equipment Replacement Fund.

### **FUNDING DETAIL:**

Fund:	5111	Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Fund
Organization/Activity:	30201	Water Supply Fleet
Mission Element:	201	Manage Fleet Inventories
Project # (CIP Only):		
Account:	550020	Vehicles and Machinery

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this purchase from Kut Kwick Corporation.

### **LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution  
Price Sheet