

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 10/6/2020 ALL Item Creation Date: 9/23/2020

HPW - 20IPP11R - Application / Texas Water Development Board

Agenda Item#: 34.

Summary:

ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of a grant application under the Texas Water Development Board Flood Infrastructure Fund to develop a stormwater modeling tool for Sims Bayou Watershed and to initiate the One Water Collaborative Planning Process; declaring the city's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the City of Houston's Department Houston Public Works ("Director") to act as the City's representative in the grant application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the Program; containing provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency.

Background:

SUBJECT:

The Director of Houston Public Works recommends that City Council adopt an ordinance approving submission of a grant application under the **TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TWDB)** Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) to develop a Stormwater Modeling tool for the Sims Bayou watershed; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of Public Works (Director) to accept and expend Grant Funds, as awarded, and to accept and expend all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the Grant and to extend the budget period.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended City Council adopt an Ordinance approving the submission of a grant application to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) to develop a Stormwater Modeling tool for the Sims Bayou watershed and initiate the One Water collaborative planning process.

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

Authorized under the 86th Texas Legislature's Proposition 8 on November 5, 2019. TWDB FIF funds will allow the City to develop a dynamic model of the local drainage system in the Sims Bayou watershed as part of its Stormwater Master Plan and initiate a One Water planning process to establish collaboration between watershed partners and stakeholders.

It is recommended that City Council authorize the Mayor to execute all related contracts, agreements, amendments and documents with the approval as to form of the City Attorney in connection with the grant program and to authorize the Director or her designee to act as the City's representative with the authority to apply for, accept and expend the grant funds as awarded, and apply for, accept and expend all subsequent awards, if any, to extend the term and/or budget and project period not to exceed five years, if extended by TWDB during the project period, and which does not require cash matching funds. The City's local match will be appropriated during the contract award from Fund 4042 – Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund -Drainage Charge and Fund 8300 – Water & Sewer System Operating Fund.

Council	Estimated	Grant Award	Local Cost
District	Cost	Amount	Share
Citywide	\$5,250,000.00	\$3,937,500.00	\$1,312,500.00

FISCAL NOTES:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

Funding for this item is included in the FY2021 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

— DocuSigned by: 10/1/2020

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Director

Houston Public Works

Amount of Funding:

\$3,937,500.00 Federal State Local Pass Through Fund DDSRF - Fund 5430

\$ 787,500.00 Local Cost Share - Fund 4042

\$ 525,000.00 Local Cost Share - Fund 8300

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Revised Signed Coversheet

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Application

Intent to Apply Form Revised ordinance

Revised Finance Approval

Funding Verification

Type

Signed Cover sheet

Backup Material

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Financial Information