



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 11/15/2021

HPW- 20PMG15- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)'s Annual Public Health Service (PHS) Fees.

Agenda Item#:

**Background:**

**SUBJECT:** Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)'s Annual Public Health Service (PHS) Fees.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Authorize payment of the TCEQ invoices totaling \$2,375,121.75 for the annual PHS fees for the City of Houston (City's) seven separate public water systems.

**SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:** This is a request to authorize payment of invoices received from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the annual PHS fees for the City's seven separate public water systems for TCEQ Fiscal Year 2022.


The current invoices cover the period from *September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022 corresponding to TCEQ's fiscal year 2022*. The annual fees are based on the number of service connections for each public water system.

The PHS fee rate schedule is found in TCEQ's regulations, 30 Texas Administrative Code § 290.51. This fee became effective December 21, 1993 and was last amended in 2016. The current fee rate is \$2.45 per connection. The revenue resulting from the PHS Fees pays TCEQ's expenses to schedule analyses of drinking water for chemical content, collect samples of drinking water for chemical analysis, review system data for the evaluation of sampling waivers, inspect PWSs, review plans for new systems and for major improvements to existing systems, and providing technical assistance as needed.

Recommend that Council approve the Houston Public Works' request to pay TCEQ the invoiced amount of \$2,375,121.75.

**FISCAL NOTE:** Funding for this item is included in the FY22 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

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Director

Houston Public Works

Estimated Spending Authority			
DEPARTMENT	FY2022	OUT YEARS	TOTAL
Houston Public Works	\$2,375,121.75	\$0.00	\$2,375,121.75

**Prior Council Action:**

Motion # 2020-0577 12/02/2020

**Amount and Source of Funding:**

\$2,375,121.75 from Water and Sewer System Operating Fund No.8300

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

SAP documents

Invoices

Prior council action

Annual Fees

**Type**

Financial Information

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