



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 10/10/2024

HPW - 20DWO118 - FY25 Budget for San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) City of Houston
Share of Lake Conroe Cost

Agenda Item#:

Background:

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the FY2025 Operations and Maintenance Budget in the amount of \$7,027,577.00 for the 2023 Contract by and between San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) and the City of Houston, Texas, relating to the ongoing operation of the Lake Conroe Dam and Reservoir.

EXPLANATION: SJRA (the "Authority") and the City of Houston (the "City") entered into the 1968 Lake Conroe Contract that provided for the City's participation in the construction of the Lake Conroe Dam and Reservoir (the "Project"), the City's acquisition of an undivided two-thirds interest in Lake Conroe and in the yield permitted under Water Right Permit 1962 (now Certificate of Adjudication 10-49630), and the terms and conditions for the Authority's operation and maintenance of Lake Conroe. The 1968 Lake Conroe Contract expired in 2018.

The City and SJRA entered into an agreement in October 2023, Lake Conroe Contract, approved by City Council on October 11, 2023 (Ordinance No. 2023-0853). The 2023 Lake Conroe Contract sets forth the terms and conditions for the parties' use, disposal, and sale of their respective water yields and SJRA's operation and maintenance of the Lake Conroe Dam and Reservoir. The 2023 Lake Conroe Contract also outlines when SJRA will provide its annual operating budget for review by the City and approval by the Houston City Council, when annual operating payments are due to SJRA from the City, and what SJRA's responsibilities are relating to the accounting of impounded and diverted water for both SJRA and the City.

The funds are allocated in the HPW budget according to SJRA's annual budget submittal during the month of June 2024. SJRA's Fiscal Year 2025 starts on September 1, 2024, and ends on August 31, 2025. Ten months of SJRA's budget are allocated to the City's Fiscal Year 2025 Budget (September 2024 to June 2025), and the remaining two months are allocated to the City's FY26 Budget (July 2025 to August 2025). Payments made to SJRA are based upon documented actual monthly Operations and Maintenance expenditures.

This item was presented to the Service Delivery Committee on December 12, 2024.

It is recommended that City Council approve the 2025 SJRA Operations and Maintenance budget for the City of Houston's 2/3 Share of Lake Conroe Cost in the amount of \$7,027,577.00.

FISCAL NOTE: Funding for this item is included in the FY25 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

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Estimated Spending Authority			
Department	FY2025	Out Year	TOTAL
Houston Public Works	\$5,856,314.17	\$1,171,262.83	\$7,027,577.00

Prior Council Action:

Motion No. 2023-0813, dated December 6, 2023

Ordinance No. 2023-0853, dated October 11, 2023

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$7,027,577.00 - Fund No. 8300 - Water and Sewer System Operating Fund

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Description	Type
SAP Documents	Financial Information
FY25 SJRA Budget	Backup Material
Budget Information	Backup Material
2023 SJRA Contract	Backup Material
Prior Council Action	Backup Material
Annual Fees	Backup Material
SDC Agenda	Backup Material