



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 6/3/2025

L29711.A1 - Grounds Maintenance Services (WorkQuest) - ORDINANCE

Agenda Item#:

Background:

L29711.A1 – Approve an amending ordinance to Ordinance No. 2021-0073 (approved February 3, 2021) to increase the maximum contract amount to \$20,482,092.63 for Contract No. 4600016385 between the City of Houston and WorkQuest for grounds maintenance services for Houston Public Works.

Specific Explanation:

The Director of Houston Public Works (HPW) and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that the City Council approve an amending ordinance to Ordinance No. 2021-0073 (approved on February 3, 2021) to increase the contract amount to **\$20,482,092.63** for contract No. 4600016385 between the City of Houston and **WorkQuest** for grounds maintenance services for HPW.

The contract was awarded on February 3, 2021, by Ordinance No. 2021-0073, for a three-year term, with two one-year options in the amount of \$16,385,674.10. Expenditures as of July 9, 2025, totaled \$16,385,674.10. The contract funds have been depleted more rapidly than anticipated due to increased operational demands. Key contributing factors include many new locations and sites added in mid-2023 and early 2025, and a portion of HPW's spending authority under this contract was reallocated to another City department in early 2024, further reducing available funds. Increasing the spending authority of the current contract will allow HPW to continue the upkeep of vital City infrastructure through the contract's expiration in February 2026.

The original scope of work required the contractor to provide critical grounds maintenance, including mowing, litter pickup, pruning, mulching, watering, irrigation, pest and weed control at approximately 560 Drinking Water and Wastewater facilities throughout the City.

M/WBE Participation:

WorkQuest is a non-profit organization created by State law, and the Office of Business Opportunity has issued a waiver of the M/WBE requirements.

Fiscal Note:

Funding for this item is included in the FY26 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

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Randall V. Macchi, Director
Houston Public Works

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Estimated Spending Authority

Department	FY2026	Out Years	Total
Houston Public Works	\$4,096,418.53	\$0	\$ 4,096,418.53

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance No.: 2021-0073; Approved by the City Council on February 3, 2021

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$4,096,418.53 – Water and Sewer System Operating Fund (8300)

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

CA 4600016385

Type

Document Attachment

UA 4600016385	Backup Material
OWNERSHIP INFO. FORM	Backup Material
M/WBE WAIVER	Backup Material
FULLY EXECUTED CONTRACT 4600016385	Contract/Exhibit
ORIGINAL ORDINANCE 2021-0073	Backup Material
ORIGINAL RCA	Backup Material
COI & ENDORSEMENTS	Backup Material
TAX REPORT	Backup Material
PR 10341422	Backup Material
CERTIFICATE OF FUNDS	Financial Information