



**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date: 8/12/2025

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Item Creation Date: 7/31/2025

E32989.A2 - Maintenance and Repair of Belt Filter Presses (Alfa Laval, Inc.) - MOTION

Agenda Item#: 27.

**Background:**

**Emergency Purchase Order - E32989.A2 – Amend Council Motion No. 2023-0691, passed on October 18, 2023, to increase the spending authority to \$1,440,000.00 to Alfa Laval, Inc., for the maintenance and repair of belt filter presses for Houston Public Works.**

**Specific Explanation:**

The Director of Houston Public Works and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council amend **Council Motion No. 2023-0691**, passed on October 18, 2023, to increase the spending authority to **\$1,440,000.00 to Alfa Laval, Inc.**, for maintenance and repair of belt filter presses for Houston Public Works (HPW).

The Chief Procurement Officer issued an emergency purchase order (EPO) to Alfa Laval on July 27, 2023. This EPO was approved by City Council on October 18, 2023, by Motion No. 2023-0691 in the amount not to exceed \$640,000.00. On September 6, 2024, the Chief Procurement Officer amended the original EPO to increase the spending authority to \$940,000.00; approved by City Council on March 26, 2025, by Motion No. 2025-0201. On May 16, 2025, the Chief Procurement Officer amended the original EPO to increase the spending authority to \$1,440,000.00 to allow for emergency repairs to continue while the new contract is being finalized.

The additional funds are required for the continuation of the maintenance and repair to the belt filter presses. These presses are used to remove water from liquid wastewater residuals and produce a non-liquid material referred to as “cake.” Dewatering wastewater solids reduces the volume of residuals, improve operation, and reduces costs for subsequent storage, processing, transfer, end use, or disposal among other benefits. It is essential to maintain compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Water quality mandates necessary to preserve and protect the public’s health and safety.

This recommendation is made pursuant to Chapter 252, Section 252.022 (a) (2) of the Texas Local Government Code for exempted procurements, " which provides a procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the municipality's residents."

<b>Secretary of State Filing Date:</b>	<b>City Registration Date:</b>
June 2, 2000	June 23, 2006

**MWBE Participation:**

This procurement is exempt from the MWBE subcontracting participation goal because the department is utilizing an emergency purchase order for this purchase.

**Hire Houston First:**

This procurement is exempt from the City’s Hire Houston First Ordinance. Bids/proposals were not solicited because the department is utilizing an emergency purchase order for this purchase.

**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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 Houston Public Works

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<b>Estimated Spending Authority:</b>			
Department	FY2026	Out Years	Total
Houston Public Works	\$500,000.00		\$500,000.00

**Prior Council Action:**

Council Motion No. 2023-0691, passed on October 18, 2023  
Council Motion No. 2025-0201, passed on March 26, 2025

**Amount and Source of Funding:**

\$500,000.00

Water & Sewer System Operating Fund

Fund No.: 8300

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>
Approved EPO Justification	Backup Material
Original RCA	Backup Material
CM 2023-0691	Backup Material
E32989.A1 RCA Coversheet	Backup Material
CM 2025-0201	Backup Material
Ownership Information Form	Backup Material
Tax Report	Backup Material
Conflict of Interest Form	Backup Material
Invoices	Backup Material
Certification of Funds	Financial Information