



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 10/25/2016

20JAI676 TCEQ's Annual CWQ fee for FY17

Agenda Item#:

Background:

SUBJECT: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)'s Annual Consolidated Water Quality (CWQ) fee for FY17

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize payment of the TCEQ invoices totaling \$1,716,206.73 for the annual Consolidated Water Quality (CWQ) fee for the City's wastewater treatment plants.

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

This is a request to authorize payment of invoices received from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the annual Consolidated Water Quality (CWQ) fee that applies to the City of Houston's wastewater treatment plants.

The current invoice covers the period from *September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017 corresponding to TCEQ's fiscal year 2017*. The annual assessment is based on the discharge permits for each wastewater treatment plant. The fee rate schedule is found in TCEQ's regulations, - Title 30, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 21: Water Quality Fees, Section 21.3 Fee Assessment. This became effective July 30, 2009 and is adjusted annually based on the consumer price index.

The revenue resulting from the Consolidated Water Quality Fee pays TCEQ's expenses to inspect wastewater treatment facilities and to enforce the provisions of the Texas Water Code. It also funds comprehensive monitoring of water quality for each river basin, conducted under the Texas Clean Rivers Program.

Recommend that Council approve the Department of Public Works and Engineering's request to pay TCEQ the invoiced amount of \$1,716,206.73.

Funding for this item is included in the FY17 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policy Ord. 2014-1078.

Dale A. Rudick, P.E., Director
Department of Public Works and Engineering

Prior Council Action:

November 19, 2014 - CM 2014 1012

November 18, 2015 - CM 2015 0806

Amount of Funding:

\$1,716,206.73 from Fund 8300 - Water and Sewer System Operating Fund

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

FY17 Consolidated Water Quality Fees - WWO

FY17 Invoice \$1.56M

Type

Financial Information

Backup Material

FY17 Invoice \$118k
FY17 Invoice \$14k
Nov25 2015 - CM 2014 1012
Nov 24 2015 - CM 2015 0806
FY2017 Budget
SAP Documents

Backup Material
Backup Material
Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Backup Material
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