



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Utility Administration

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Mario Canizares

DATE: January 16, 2018

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas authorizing the expenditure of funds for payment by the City of Denton for the annual consolidated water quality fee to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for operation of the Pecan Creek Water Reclamation Plant; and providing an effective date (File 6693-Consolidated Water Quality Fee in the amount of \$110, 257.93).

BACKGROUND

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) charges an annual Consolidated Water Quality (CWQ) fee for operation of the Pecan Creek Water Reclamation Plant. The fee is based on the permitted plant capacity of 21 million gallons per day average daily flow, and the pollutant loading in the plant effluent included in the plant's discharge permit (Exhibit 1). The CWQ fee payment is mandatory to continue the wastewater plant operation. If TCEQ does not receive payment within 30 days, penalties and interest are charged along with the possible denial of the plant discharge permit.

CWQ fees are used to fund the State Water Resources Management Account, which supplements expenses for the following programs:

- Water quality administration, including, but not limited to, inspection of wastewater treatment facilities and enforcement of the provisions of Texas Water Code Chapter 26, the rules and orders of the Commission related to wastewater discharges and waste treatment facilities, and the provisions of Commission permits governing wastewater discharges and wastewater treatment facilities;
- The Texas Clean Rivers Program, which monitors and assesses water quality conditions that support water quality management decisions necessary to maintain and improve the quality of the state's water resources; and
- Any other water resource management programs reasonably related to the activities of the persons required to pay a fee under TWC, §26.0291

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the TCEQ CWQ fee.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

N/A

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

This item will be retroactively reported to the PUB on January 22, 2018.

FISCAL INFORMATION

The fee will be paid from Operating Budget Account number 640100.7805. Requisition# 137266 has been entered in the Purchasing software system.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

Related Key Focus Area: Public Infrastructure
Related Goal: 2.3 Promote superior utility services and City facilities

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet
Exhibit 2: Invoice
Exhibit 3: Ordinance

Respectfully submitted:
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