

Legislation Text

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Storm Water Services Bioengineering and Invasive Plant Removal Services

Action:

Approve a contract for up to \$343,498.17 with Carolina Wetland Services, Inc. for Storm Water Bioengineering and Invasive Plant Removal.

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- Stream restoration projects improve water quality and generate mitigation credits that can be used later by City and County public projects that impact streams.
- Stream restoration and bioengineering is the process of converting a degraded, eroding stream corridor to a stable condition, including establishment of trees and other native vegetation.
- This contract includes vegetation management services necessary to support the City's stream restoration program and the Stream and Wetland Mitigation Bank.
- Native vegetation promotes stability to stream banks and provides water quality benefits. Non-native vegetation can overtake native vegetation and must be controlled to adequately protect streams and wetlands.
- Services under this contract include the installation of native plants and removal of non-native (invasive) plants along restored streams; additional services may include wildlife management and small stream repairs.
- On September 13, 2017, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP): one proposal was received from an interested service provider.
- Carolina Wetland Services, Inc. meets the City's needs in terms of qualifications, experience, cost, and responsiveness to RFP requirements.

Charlotte Business INclusion

No subcontracting goal was established because there are no opportunities (Part B: Section 2.3 of the Charlotte Business INclusion Policy). However, Carolina Wetland Services is a City SBE and WBE.

Fiscal Note

Funding: Storm Water Operating Budget