

## Legislation Text

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### Engineering Services to Support Field Operations System Repairs

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve a contract for up to \$2,500,000 with Freese and Nichols, Inc. for engineering services to support field operations system repairs, and**
- B. Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.**

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

David Czerr, Charlotte Water  
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#### **Explanation**

- This contract provides planning and design; construction drawings and specifications; and, as applicable, construction management for support of Field Operations repairs to the water distribution and sanitary sewer collection systems.
- Charlotte Water is responsible for operating and maintaining approximately 8,800 miles of water and sanitary sewer infrastructure.
- On July 11, 2019, the city issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ); two responses were received.
- Freese and Nichols, Inc. is the best qualified firm to meet the city's needs on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualification of professional services in response to the RFQ requirements.

#### **Charlotte Business INclusion**

The city negotiates subcontracting participation after the proposal selection process (Part C: Section 2.1 (h) of the Charlotte Business INclusion Policy). Freese and Nichols, Inc. has committed 10.28% (\$257,000) of the total contract amount to the following certified firms to be utilized as project scopes are defined:

- CriTek Engineering Group, P.C. (SBE, MBE) (\$200,000) (inspection services)
- Stewart Engineering, Inc. (MBE) (\$50,000) (surveying)
- Carolina Wetland Services (SBE, WBE) (\$7,000) (wetland and environmental services)

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: Charlotte Water Capital Investment Plan