



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Transportation & Capital Improvements

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini, P.E., R.P.L.S.

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Interlocal Agreement Amendment: Regional Flood Control Projects

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Bexar County for regional flood control projects as part of Bexar County Flood Control Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) located citywide.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As a result of a severe flood in 1998, the Bexar County Commissioners Court and the San Antonio City Council created a Countywide Citizens Master Plan Committee to review and prioritize flood control projects in the Cibolo Creek, Leon Creek, Salado Creek, Medina Creek and San Antonio River watersheds. In 2007, the Bexar County Commissioners Court established the Bexar County Flood Control (CIP) to manage the design and construction of these regional flood control projects. Approximately \$500 million will be spent on regional flood control projects by Bexar County, both inside and outside the city limits of San Antonio.

Previous Council Action

On January 15, 2009, the original Interlocal Agreement (ILA) was approved by City Council through Ordinance 2009-01-15-0029 to establish the terms and conditions for 18 regional flood control projects within the city limits of San Antonio to be managed and constructed by Bexar County.

Two amendments following the originally approved ILA, the first being approved June 21, 2012 and the second

being approved March 13, 2014, added a total of 34 regional flood control projects. A third amendment approved June 21, 2016 added 53 High Water Detention Sites (HWDS) within City limits to be designed and constructed by the County and maintained by the City.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Bexar County for regional flood control projects as part of Bexar County Flood Control Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) located citywide.

The amendment to the Interlocal Agreement adds High Water Detention Sites (HWDS) not amended by the third amendment. Approval of the agreement will be a continuation of City Council policy to collaborate with other governmental agencies supporting the City's commitment to maintaining and improving existing infrastructure.

This amendment will allow for the addition of seven new HWDS to be designed and constructed by Bexar County with continuation of responsibilities as outlined in the third amendment.

Additional HWDS include the following:

- Sidney Brooks Road west of S. New Braunfels Avenue
- Old O'Connor Road at the intersection of Lookout Road
- Lookout Road at the intersection of Old O'Connor Road
- N. North Loop Road North of N. Park Road
- Vance Jackson northwest of Wurzbach Road
- Holbrook Road at Salado Creek
- West Avenue south of Interpark Boulevard

It has been determined by Transportation and Capital Improvements (TCI) a fourth amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Bexar County is the most efficient way the City can provide funding, project management, construction, maintenance and repair upon completion and acceptance of the projects.

ALTERNATIVES:

As an alternative, City Council could choose not to approve this ordinance; however, the City would be required to allocate funding for design and construction of the additional HWDS impacting public safety and losing the opportunity to collaborate with Bexar County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact associated with this ordinance. Any additional request for funds as a result of this agreement will be subject to City Council approval through the annual budget process. Upon completion of these projects, TCI will be responsible for on-going maintenance of these facilities. Maintenance and repair of these facilities will be funded through the Storm Water Operating Fund and will be included in TCI's annual maintenance budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Bexar County for regional flood control projects as part of Bexar County Flood Control Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) located citywide.