




TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 
Charles H. Martin, P.E., Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: April 25, 2023

SUBJECT: Change Order for Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Contract #050-2020

Request

Requesting approval of an increasing change order of \$111,281.80 to the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant with the Colt Engineering, Inc., dba Thoroughbred Engineering, Contract #050-2020.

Purpose of Request

In fall of 2021, Thoroughbred Engineering was awarded a Stormwater Quality Incentive Grant to retrofit their parking lot at 239 N Broadway with pervious material. In 2023, Thoroughbred Engineering contacted the division because construction costs had escalated over 62% since the grant was requested, putting the feasibility of the project in question. The increase was due to:

- The inflationary costs for materials and construction, and
- An increase in total quantities needed to complete the project.

The Water Quality Fees Board recently approved a change order program that allows for a limited set aside of annual grant program funding to be used as additional funding for projects that meet change order application criteria. Thoroughbred Engineering wishes to proceed with the project but cannot without additional funding. Thoroughbred Engineering is requesting their existing grant award be amended allowing them to access change order funding while not exceeding the maximum allowable grant award for Class B infrastructure type grants.

	2021 Grant Award	Proposed 2023 Grant Amendment	Change	% Change
WQ Grant share	\$178,675.00	\$289,956.80	\$111,281.80	62.28%
Grant Share	\$44,668.75	\$72,489.20	\$27,820.45	62.28%
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$223,343.75	\$362,446.00		





The division recommends that the Urban County Council grant approval of the request based on the following:

1. The increase in construction cost is validated by the competitive bids received by the applicant.
2. The Grantee has agreed to provide additional cost share to meet the contracted percentage (add. \$27,820.45).
3. The project site is located in the Town Branch watershed, which is a densely populated urban area with high concentration of impervious surfaces.

The request for increase has been reviewed and approved by the Water Quality Fees Board on April 13, 2023.

Project Cost in FY22 and in Future Budget Years

The increasing change order of \$111,281.80 will come from Change Order Pool grant funds budgeted for FY23.

Are Funds Budgeted

Funds from this increasing change order are already budgeted in:
4052 – 303204 – 3373 – 78112 – WQINCENTIVE_23 – WQ_GRANT

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