

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 7 TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ENPROTEC/HIBBS & TODD TO CONTINUE PERMITTING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PROJECT'S CEDAR RIDGE RESERVOIR.

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene, Texas (the "City") serves as a major water supplier for its citizens and for surrounding communities in and near Taylor and Jones Counties, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the City projects that its water supply demands and those of this region of the state will continue to grow and may exceed available supplies in the future; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to ensure that it has adequate water supplies to meet future demands and attract new business development to this region of the state; and,

WHEREAS, after extensive investigation and assessment by Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd, on June 26, 2008 the City Council passed a written resolution asserting that it is in the best interest of the City of Abilene to pursue securing permits, certification, and authorization necessary for the development of Cedar Ridge Reservoir ("Reservoir"); and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2011 the City Council passed a written resolution authorizing and directing the preparation, execution, filing, prosecution and amending all applications to obtain the necessary water rights, certifications and permits under Chapter 11 of the Texas Water Code, §401 of the Clean Water Act, and §404 of the Clean Water Act; and

WHEREAS, in order to pursue construction of the Cedar Ridge Reservoir it is necessary for the City to apply to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (the "Corps") for a water right permit, a Clean Water Act §404 permit, a Clean Water Act §401 water quality certification, and to secure such other permits, authorizations, and certifications, as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the continued work associated with Amendment No. 7 (Phase 2 - 2014), for the Reservoir permitting process involves continuation of environmental work and coordination with federal and state regulatory agencies and landowners impacted by the Cedar Ridge Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, the work under this Amendment No. 7 (Phase 2 - 2014) is intended to provide information necessary to provide technical support in addressing issues presented by TCEQ and other state regulatory agencies; to provide technical support in addressing issues presented by the Corps; and to allow regulatory agency staff to review

and assess the potential impacts of the proposed Cedar Ridge Reservoir on the natural resources of Texas;


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 7 to the Professional Services Agreement with Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd in an amount not to exceed \$1,648,000 for the purpose of continuing the work associated with Cedar Ridge Reservoir including: (1) addressing issues presented by TCEQ and other state regulatory agencies related to the water rights permit application; (2) addressing issues presented by federal and state agencies related to the applications for the necessary §401 water quality certification and the §404 Permit; (3) any other work associated with filing and securing the appropriate permits from TCEQ and the Corps for the Cedar Ridge Reservoir project; and (4) coordination with landowners within the project area of Cedar Ridge Reservoir, as necessary.


PART 2: The City Manager or his designee shall periodically provide updates to the City Council regarding the status of Amendment No. 7 (Phase 2 - 2014), as well as any other matters related to the permits, filing of the applications, certifications and authorizations, as well as any subsequent consultant reports or studies, challenges or disputes arising out of such application processes, or other matters related to the filling and permitting process that may require City Council authorization.

ADOPTED this 9 day of Jan., 2014.

ATTEST:



Danette Dunlap, City Secretary



Norman Archibald, Mayor

APPROVED:



T. Daniel Santee II, City Attorney