

**2019-2020 BUDGET QUESTION**  
***Response to Request for Information***

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**DEPARTMENT(S):** Public Works

**REQUEST NO.:** 55

**REQUESTED BY:** Tovo

**DATE REQUESTED:** 8/29/19

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**REQUEST:** Please describe the \$115,000 that is suggested for cleaning portable toilets, particularly in light of the permanent restroom units that are scheduled for installation in November.

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**RESPONSE:**

This funding is included in the Public Works operating budget to support the initial term of the contract Council approved on [October 4, 2018](#) and will only be used to support cleaning of the downtown portable toilet. City staff will determine how long the portable toilet remains operational while the permanent facilities are installed downtown. If the temporary unit continued to be deployed after the permanent facilities are operational, funding for cleaning services would be required. Payments to the vendor up to \$115,000 total per year will only occur as the cleaning services are conducted.

Separate funding in the amount of \$150,000 for the maintenance and operations of up to three permanent downtown restrooms is included in the Downtown Public Improvement District Fund overseen by the Economic Development Department (EDD). EDD will manage an agreement with the Downtown Austin Alliance (DAA) to handle these daily services.