Thursday, February 11, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 4

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month lease renewal of 2.52 acres of land and 3,000 square feet of office and warehouse improvements located at 5109 E. Ben White, from 5005 B.W. LP, for the Watershed Protection Department, Pond Maintenance Program, in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$53,250 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection Department. Funding for the remaining contract period is contingent on available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: July 28, 2005 – Council approved the lease renewal; October 19, 2006 Council approved the lease renewal.

This lease space has been occupied by the City since September 2004, and would continue to be used by the Watershed Protection Field Operations Division, Residential Pond Maintenance and Lady Bird Lake Clean-up program while a replacement facility is being constructed on City property. The pond maintenance crews restore and maintain all residential subdivision water quality and detention ponds, and the Lady Bird Lake cleaning crew removes debris, litter and trash from Lady Bird Lake.

The current lease expired October 14, 2009, at the rate of \$3,500 per month plus taxes and insurance. The proposed extension of twelve months is at the same terms, with taxes and insurance estimated at \$13,000, which is included in the requested authorization. The renewal would expire October 14, 2010.

This renewal will allow for the continued use of the space by the City; additional negotiated terms and conditions may provide for future extensions of the lease term, including reasonable increases in rent.