

Memorandum

REPORT TO: City Commission

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SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to Sign Task Order 6 of the Professional Services Master Task Order Agreement with the Firm of HDR Engineering, Inc. Providing for East Gallatin River Water Quality Sampling and Analysis

MEETING DATE: June 16, 2026

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Agreement - Vendor/Contract

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to Sign Task Order No. 6 of the Professional Services Master Task Order Agreement with the Firm of HDR Engineering, Inc. Providing for East Gallatin River Water Quality Sampling and Analysis

STRATEGIC PLAN: 6.1 Clean Water Supplies: Ensure adequate supplies of clean water for today and tomorrow.

BACKGROUND: HDR Engineering provides professional engineering services on an on-call basis for the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) under a master task order professional services agreement entered into on [June 3, 2025](#). Task Order 6, attached, provides engineering services to perform water quality sampling and analysis for the East Gallatin River.

Water quality data collected under Task Order 6 will be used to support WRF discharge permit renewal discussions with Montana DEQ, which include a planned revision to the East Gallatin River nutrient Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). A large water quality dataset has been collected for the river by the City since 2014. The City plans on utilizing these data to revise the TMDL and derive protective, scientifically defensible, and achievable nutrient water quality targets for WRF discharges to the East Gallatin River.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As suggested by the City Commission

FISCAL EFFECTS: The negotiated fee for Task Order 6 is \$71,896. Funding for this task order is provided in FY27 through capital improvement plan project WW112 at the amount of \$72,000. Sufficient budget is available.

Attachments:

[2026_WRF_OnCall_Task Order No.6.pdf](#)

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