



Staff Report

AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: March 23, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Courtney Sladek, Administration

ITEM TYPE: Agenda Item

AGENDA SECTION: CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON

SUBJECT: Discussion and Consideration of Possible Action to Appropriate \$85,000 from the General Fund Balance for Survey Services Associated with the Drainage Master Plan

BACKGROUND:

The City of El Campo is currently advancing a comprehensive Drainage Master Plan (DMP), which is funded approximately 90% through grant funding. This plan is a critical component in identifying drainage deficiencies, prioritizing capital improvements, and positioning the City for future state and federal funding opportunities.

As the project has progressed, it has become clear that additional topographic and infrastructure survey data is necessary to complete the full study area and ensure the accuracy and usability of the model. Scheibe Consulting, the City's engineer for the DMP, has submitted a request for additional services to complete this work using UAV (drone) survey technology, which provides high-resolution and cost-effective data collection.

The requested services include:

- Completion of survey data for the remaining portions of the original study area
- Expansion of the survey area to include an additional drainage basin generally bounded by FM 71 to Myatt Lane, including the Town & Country and Webb areas
- Use of UAV drone flights to capture detailed elevation, inlet, and surface condition data to support modeling and analysis

This additional data will enhance the accuracy of the drainage model and ensure that the final plan reflects real-world conditions, including stormwater flow paths, inlet capacity, and infrastructure constraints.

Financial Impact: The total requested appropriation is \$85,000, to be funded from the General Fund balance, and is broken down as follows:

- \$75,000 – Completion of the full survey area for the existing DMP
- \$10,000 – Survey of additional area (FM 71 to Myatt Lane, including Town & Country and Webb)

These funds supplement the existing DMP survey budget and ensure completion of the full study area.

This investment directly supports:

- Completion of a grant-funded drainage master plan
- Development of shovel-ready drainage projects
- Improved competitiveness for future grant funding (e.g., GLO, TWDB, FEMA/BRIC)
- Long-term flood mitigation and infrastructure planning

Without this additional survey work, portions of the system would remain unmodeled or based on incomplete data, limiting both the effectiveness of the plan and the City's ability to leverage it for future funding.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Staff recommends approval of the appropriation of \$85,000 from the General fund balance to Scheibe Consulting for additional survey services associated with the Drainage Master Plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Scheibe Consulting - Additional Services Request - El Campo DMP_260213.pdf](#)