Weatherford Municipal Utility Board

AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date:	June 25, 2026	**Staff Contact:**	Rick Shaffer, Director of Water Utilities
Item Number:	2026-908-AR	**Phone:**	817-598-4473

SUBJECT: Consider authorizing the Water Utility to apply for grant funding, in an amount not to exceed $30,315,905, offered by the Texas Water Development Board under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund - Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant Program; Federal Fiscal Year 2022/2023, and adopt Resolution No. R2026-12.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has issued new regulatory guidance related to the reduction of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water. EPA's goal is to reduce the amount of PFAS in the nation's water supplies and drinking water systems.

In April 2024, the Water Utility submitted a Project Information Form (PIF) to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) related to the Emerging Contaminants Program. The project identified in the PIF included additional monitoring for PFAS in the City's raw water supply and in drinking water, and design and construction of additional granular activated carbon (GAC) facilities for the removal of PFAS compounds.

The TWDB notified city staff on February 5, 2026 that the project was selected, and the TWDB invites the City to submit an application for funding up to $30,315,905 at 100% principal forgiveness. However, the invitation to apply is not an automatic approval of funding. The application was due by March 27, 2026 and will be reviewed by the TWDB for approval. While funding under the Emerging Contaminants Program is 100% principal forgiveness, loan origination fees may apply. And while the amount of any loan origination fees is unknown at this time, they are typically 2% of the loan amount.

The Municipal Utility Board previously adopted Resolution R2026-03, authorizing the application for grant funding from the TWDB; however, the TWDB has requested changes to the Resolution to include specific language that the amount is not to exceed $30,315,905. This new Resolution R2026-12 will replace the previously adopted Resolution R2026-03.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

If grant funding is approved, the Utilities will incur additional expenses up to $30,315,905 which will be fully reimbursed by TWDB.

SUGGESTED ACTION

Staff recommends approval to apply for grant funding, in an amount not to exceed $30,315,905, from the Texas

Water Development Board under the DWSRF Federal Fiscal Year 2022/2023 - Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant Program. In addition, staff recommends approval of Resolution No. R2026-12 authorizing the City Manager to execute, or cause to be executed, in the name of the City of Weatherford all necessary applications, contracts, and agreements to implement and carry out the purposes of the grant.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution No R2026-12_DRAFT.pdf
- Invitation to Apply.pdf