



City of Rochester Hills  
AGENDA SUMMARY  
FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2014-0488

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members

**FROM:** Allan E. Schneck, P. E., Director of Public Services

**DATE:** November 10, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Competitive Grant Assistance Program Grant Award - North Oakland County Water Authority  
City File No. E13-006

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**REQUEST:**

Adoption of a resolution to accept the award of a Competitive Grant Assistance Program (CGAP) grant in the minimum amount of \$17,100 for the North Oakland County Water Authority (NOCWA).

**REASON:**

On June 25, 2014 an application for a CGAP grant was submitted for the NOCWA, which is comprised of the following entities: the Oakland County Water Resources Commission, the City of Auburn Hills, the Township of Orion, the City of Pontiac and the City of Rochester Hills.

With this grant, the NOCWA entities seek to complete the necessary feasibility studies that will guide future decisions as a collective authority. First, OHM Advisors will provide technical assistance and examination, including determination of revenue requirement percentages, assisting operators with expected flow and pressure at DWSD meter connection points, modeling, discussions with DWSD and other services. Second, the grant will assist to provide for the purchase of H2Ometrics software and services, which enables collection and analysis of water, sewer, storm water, rainfall, and surface water data at 12 DWSD WAMR meter sides plus four additional sites or rain gauges.

It's anticipated that the data and information collected will continue to support the effort by all entities to join together under one authority for the joint planning of water infrastructure, and purchase of water. Success will be measured by increased water pressures, capital improvement cost avoidance, and money saved from rate savings by each entity joined up as a formal partner. City Council approved the NOWCA Agreement on September 22, 2014.

On October 27, 2014, the City was notified of the Intent of Award for the CGAP FY 2014 (Round 2) in the amount of \$17,100. The application budget amount for the Feasibility Study totaled \$100,400. The grant award states that all feasibility studies have been initially funded at 25%. However, a Feasibility Study will be reimbursed at 100% if the local unit can demonstrate that, within one year of the completion of the Feasibility Study, steps have been taken to consolidate services. Since the NOCWA has already been formed, the City anticipates the grant amount may increase up to \$100,400.

Along with the fully executed agreement, the City of Rochester Hills is required to provide a certified resolution and minutes to the Department of Treasury by Monday, December 29, 2014.

**Vendor:**

**Name and Address:**

Michigan Department of Treasury  
Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis  
PO Box 30722  
Lansing, MI 48909

**BUDGET:**

As this resolution is for the acceptance of the CGAP grant only – there are no expenses being proposed at this time.

Since NOCWA has already been formed, the City anticipates the grant will cover the full 100% of the feasibility study expenses for City of Rochester Hills as well as the other three (3) communities. The four (4) communities will split the feasibility studies expenses related to NOCWA equally (or 25% each).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Rochester Hills City Council adopts a resolution to accept the award of a Competitive Grant Assistance Program (CGAP) grant in the minimum amount of \$17,100 for the North Oakland County Water Authority (NOCWA).

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