

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: 12/14/2011

Board Item: V-A-1

Ten Percent Match on Irrigation Efficiency Bond Projects

Action by Consent

Action

Information

In July 2009, the Board and the City and County of Denver's Parks and Recreation Department entered into a memorandum of understanding to support the parks department's efforts to achieve greater water savings through a number of irrigation and landscape conversion projects. As part of the multi-year MOU, the Board agreed to provide a 10 percent match on what the parks department spent on these improvements, up to a total amount of \$1.7 million. The parks department's funding came from the Better Denver Bond Fund. In 2011, 16 Denver parks were retrofitted with water-saving equipment: Alameda Parkway, Ash Grove Park, Barnum Park North, City of Axum, Dailey Park, Garland Park, Highland Park, Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Overland Pond Park, Paco Sanchez Park, Richthofen Parkway, Ruby Hill Park, Swansea Park, Veterans Park, Village Place and Weir Gulch Marina.

In 2011 work at these 16 parks will save an estimated 99 acre-feet of water annually and cost Denver Water \$526,966. That equals \$5,312.78 per acre-foot.

Since the original MOU was signed in 2009, the Board has provided \$858,862 in matching funds as part of this agreement. 2011's match amount brings the total to \$1.4 million, which leaves \$310,177 remaining in Denver Water's budget for this MOU.

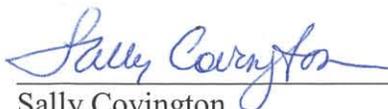
This MOU should be completed the first quarter of 2013. To date, Denver Parks has submitted information for 10 percent reimbursement for 35 park sites.

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board approve the #12443S contract for the 10 percent match of \$526,966.

Approvals:

Respectfully submitted,



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