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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Cathryn G. Horner, CPPB, Chief Procurement Officer
THRU: Zach Williams, Chief Operating Office
FROM: Reginald Wells, Director, Department of Watershed Management
David Hayes, Deputy Director WM Operations, Watershed Management
DATE: November 16, 2020
SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment/Change Order No.1 to Contracts 1103755 & 1103756 – Sanitary Sewer Easement Clearing

Reginald Wells

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Original Contract Term and Dollar Amount:

June 5, 2018 to June 30, 2019; \$2,348,900.00

Previous Extension of the Term: Yes

Previous Changes to the Dollar Amount: Yes

Current Cumulative Contract Term Dollar Amount: June 5, 2018 to June 30, 2021;

Georgia Power Company \$2,974,450.00; Casey Tree Experts, Inc. \$2,974,450.00

Proposed Cumulative Contract Term Dollar Amount: June 5, 2018 to December 31, 2021;

Georgia Power Company \$3,424,450.00; Casey Tree Experts, Inc. \$3,424,450.00

Detailed Description of Requested Changes:

The Department of Watershed Management (DWM) is requesting that the **Sanitary Sewer Easement Clearing** contract be extended thru December 31, 2021 with an increase in funding of **\$900,000.00** to allow continuity in services for chemical root control until the competitive bid process is completed.



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1103755/1103756 for Sanitary Sewer Easement Clearing

Justification for the Proposed Changes and an Explanation of why the County should not consider a Competitive Bid:

The Department of Watershed Management (DWM) is requesting an increase to our contracted **Sanitary Sewer Easement Clearing** contracts to make certain that services are not interrupted during the 2021 calendar year.

The EPA approved Maintenance Management Systems (MMS) Program requires easement clearing as part of its Preventative Maintenance Program to remain compliant with the Consent Decree. Areas for easement clearing are prioritized based on growth from easements with overgrowth of kudzu and vegetation needing to be cleared annually to easements with small trees being cleared every 3 years and large trees every 10 years. This contract provides the County a vehicle to reduce potential root caused SSOs by removing growth above sewer lines as well as provide quick access to sewer assets as needed.

If the essential adjustments are not met then the projected shortfall to the **Sanitary Sewer Easement Clearing** contracts will be **\$900,000.00** which is necessary for the department to provide the services through the next calendar year.