



# INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Gary D. Greer  
City Manager

DATE: August 18, 2015

SUBJECT: Wicker 2 Pump Station Fire

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On May 1, 2015 a section of Wicker 2 Pump Station underwent an electrical fire within the structure where the control panels existed. Damages to the structure, equipment, and other major components was damaged. Wicker 2 Pump Station is located at 2412 Wicker Avenue. The fire required an emergency shutdown for repairs. Due to the complexity of the components and its condition after the fire, it was determined that it was in the best interest to hire qualified contractors to perform the repairs as quickly as possible.

All pumping operations for this site are being accommodated by the redundant pump station on the existing site. No loss of water service occurred for any residential or commercial customers within this zone of Farmers Branch being served by the Wicker Pump Station.

The City had to immediately hire contractors: Schneider Electric, Restoration Specialists, Prime Controls, Birkhoff, Hendricks & Carter, LLP, and Knight Security Systems to make the emergency assessments and repairs to the Wicker 2 Pump Station Fire. The contractors were available to immediately begin the work which included assessment of electrical damages, restoration of the building and equipment, and re-secure building. Initial cost of \$177,900 for all vendors was funded from the Capital Improvement Program Non-bond Utility budget for repairs.

After the initial assessment of the damage after the partial restoration, additional electrical work was identified. The additional cost for Schneider Electric Company to complete the repairs for the Wicker 2 Pump Station Fire has been quoted in the amount of \$221,876. Once these repairs are made and power is re-established to this site, all components will be tested and evaluated for their reliability in this necessary use.

Possible Council Action:

1. I move to approve Resolution No. 2015-074 ratifying payments to Schneider Electric Company and other vendors for the repairs of the Wicker 2 Pump Station, resulting from fire related damages.
2. I move to approve Resolution No. 2015-074 ratifying payments to Schneider Electric Company and other vendors for the repairs of the Wicker 2 Pump Station, resulting from fire related damages, with modifications.
3. I move to table the item or take no action.