

# ORDINANCE No. 186018

\*Authorize contract with GSI Water Solutions Inc. for technical services in support of the Columbia Slough Sediment Program for \$500,000 (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. The Columbia Slough Watershed parallels the Columbia River and stretches between its confluence with the Willamette River at Kelley Point Park on the west to Fairview Lake, in Gresham, on the east. The watershed once contained a vast system of side channels, lakes, ponds, wetlands, and numerous streams covering the floodplain of the Columbia River between the mouths of the Willamette and Sandy Rivers. Over time, extensive development of the Columbia Slough Watershed has impaired watershed health.
2. The City of Portland has over 200 outfalls that discharge stormwater runoff to the Columbia Slough. Prior to 2001, both stormwater and combined sewage were discharged through City-owned outfalls. Today, 99.6% of the combined sewage overflows are controlled, but stormwater runoff from City roadways still is discharged to the Slough through City-owned outfalls.
3. Early studies and long-term monitoring efforts indicate that widespread, low-level contamination exists in Columbia Slough sediment at levels of concern to human health and the environment.
4. Since 1993, the City of Portland, Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) have implemented actions to improve sediment quality and watershed health in the Columbia Slough. The BES Columbia Slough Sediment Program leads the City's efforts to implement a remedial approach for sediment contamination identified near City-owned outfalls in the Columbia Slough.
5. In 2005, BES and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) signed a Record of Decision (ROD) designed to address contaminated sediment in the Columbia Slough. The ROD identifies the approach that DEQ and the City will implement to meet state and federal requirements established in the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act, which addresses contaminant releases to the environment.
6. In 2006, BES and DEQ signed an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) forming a partnership to implement jointly the remedial approach for sediment contamination in the Columbia Slough. In September 2010, Council amended the contract (#36553) and extended the IGA through June 2015. The IGA identifies the scope and schedule of actions that DEQ and the City will implement through June 2015. The ultimate goal of the ROD and IGA is to reduce contaminant levels in Slough sediment to concentrations that meet regulatory requirements and are protective of human health and the environment.
7. Schedules and workloads established in the ROD and the IGA are aggressive and therefore resource-intensive. The Sediment Program relies on minimal City staff to direct and oversee

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program implementation. Contractor technical assistance is needed to support Bureau staff in meeting the tasks and timelines identified in the ROD and IGA.

8. The contract is for a three-year term. Workload and budget required over the next three years will depend upon project needs.
9. MWESB participation on this contract is estimated at 5% of the total contract amount.
10. The Bureau has budgeted \$190,000 for the first year of the contract. Funds are available in the Bureau of Environmental Services Sewer System Operating Fund, FY 2013-2014 Budget, Cost Center ESWS000008.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The Commissioner in Charge is authorized to execute a contract with GSI Water Solutions Inc. for the purpose described in Section 1, in the amount of \$500,000.
- b. The Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized to draw and deliver warrants chargeable to the Sewer System Operating Fund Budget when demand is presented and approved by the proper authority.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because contract resources are needed immediately to meet the requirements and schedules set forth in the ROD and IGA. Therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council,  
Charlie Hales  
Office of the Mayor

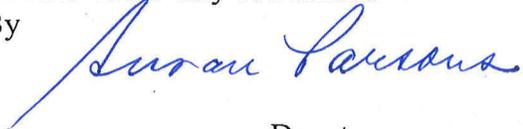
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**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**  
Auditor of the City of Portland

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**INTRODUCED BY**  
Commissioner/Auditor:  
**Mayer Charlie Hales**

**COMMISSIONER APPROVAL**

Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales

Position 1/Utilities - Fritz

Position 2/Works - Fish

Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman

Position 4/Safety - Novick

**BUREAU APPROVAL**

Bureau: Env. Services  
Bureau Head: *Dean Marriott*

Prepared by: Mary Stephens  
Date Prepared: 4/19/2013

Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement  
Completed  Amends Budget

Portland Policy Document  
If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.  
Yes  No

Council Meeting Date  
**05/08/2013**  
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**City Attorney Approval:**  
required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter *bf*

CLERK USE: DATE FILED MAY 10 2013

LaVonne Griffin-Valade  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
*[Signature]*  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**AGENDA**

**TIME CERTAIN**   
Start time: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount of time needed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(for presentation, testimony and discussion)

**CONSENT**

**REGULAR**   
Total amount of time needed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz ✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish <del>_____</del>	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman ✓	
4. Novick	4. Novick ✓	
Hales	Hales ✓	