

TO: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator

FROM: Lisa Clayton

Parks Director

DATE: April 4, 2019

SUBJECT: American Leak Detection Services Request

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to request approval from the City Administrator to enter into a contract between American Leak Detection (herein ALD) and the City of Franklin for leak detection services performed on the field irrigation systems in Jim Warren and Liberty Parks.

Background

The field irrigation systems in Jim Warren Park and Liberty Park have been experiencing a high number of leaks due to the age of the systems. While the Parks Department has made every effort to repair the leaks, it has become difficult to detect where the leaks are coming from in the systems. ALD specializes in leak detection, and this service is essential to repairing whatever leaks there may be in both systems. Because of the inability of the Parks Department to detect all leaks and repair them, there has been an increase in the water bill at both parks. There has also been a significant time expense as staff works to try and find the leaks to repair. There are other City departments, namely Water, who have used the services of this company in the past without issue. The service performed by ALD is our only option to troubleshoot the irrigation issues and leaks we are facing at both parks.

The law department reviewed the forms submitted by ALD and requested changes that ALD has declined. Neither document can be approved as to form by the law department as currently written. We are requesting permission to moved forward with the signing of the agreements and services.

Financial Impact

ALD charges two rates based on a half day or whole day of work. The cost for a half day per park is \$750.00 for up to 4 hours on site. The cost for a whole day per park is \$1,550.00 for up to 7.5 hours on site. There is an additional charge of \$155.00 for each hour thereafter. The estimated cost for leak detection services for both Jim Warren and Liberty Park is approximately \$1,500.00-\$3,100.00.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the services be approved and the Standard Work Authorization forms to be signed.