



CITY OF ARANSAS PASS

AGENDA MEMORANDUM
for the City Council Meeting of March 5, 2018

Date: March 2, 2018
 To: Honorable Mayor and Council
 From: Katherine A. Comeaux, Development Services

Title: Requesting approval from City Council to renew the agreement with Bureau Veritas for third-party inspections

PURPOSE:

To seek approval from City Council to renew the agreement with Bureau Veritas for back-up, third-party inspections.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Aransas Pass approved entering into a contract with Bureau Veritas for third-party inspectors on January 2, 2018. The assistance of Bureau Veritas has enabled the City of Aransas Pass Building Department to complete inspections at a much quicker rate and ensure that residents and businesses owners are not being unnecessarily delayed.

At this point, permits and requisite inspections are still at a much higher than usual volume as Aransas Pass recovers from the damages of Hurricane Harvey.

01/02/2017 - 03/01/2017		01/02/2018 - 03/01/2018		INCREASE
Permit Fees	\$25,113.99	Permit Fees	\$194,324.79	↑673.77%
Total Permits	133	Total Permits	613	↑360.9%

Staff is requesting the renewal of this agreement to continue expediting inspections with Aransas Pass. Staff is still moving forward to with training to acquire the necessary

certifications to meet the volume of inspections needed, but at this point request a continuation of the agreement with Bureau Veritas at the following rates:

Residential Inspections..... \$76.92
Commercial Inspections..... \$125.00

ALTERNATIVES:

Denying request for contract with Bureau Veritas

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The proposed agreement with Bureau Veritas would make third-party inspectors available at the following rates:

\$76.92 per residential inspection
\$125.00 per commercial inspection

While this cost was not budgeted for the 2017-2018 FY, the increase in revenue to the General Fund through the Building Department would cover this additional cost.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of agreement with Bureau Veritas

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

Proposed agreement between Bureau Veritas and the City of Aransas Pass, to be updated upon approval.