

**January 11, 2023**

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council 202300263

**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Buildings and Inspections: Moral  
Obligation to Rainbow Environmental Services**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** a payment of \$86,904 to Rainbow Environmental Services as a moral obligation for outstanding charges related to asbestos abatement preparation services prior to the demolition of dangerous and unsafe buildings for the Department of Buildings and Inspections, to be paid from the Community Development Block Grant Fund 304 project account no. 304x161x0000x7656x30421136.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the payment of \$86,904 to Rainbow Environmental Services as a moral obligation for outstanding charges related to asbestos abatement preparation services prior to the demolition of dangerous and unsafe buildings for the Department of Buildings and Inspections, to be paid from the Community Development Block Grant Fund 304 project account no. 304x161x0000x7656x30421136.

Rainbow Environmental Services had a contract with the City that, unknown to Department of Buildings and Inspections staff, expired, so that when the Hazard Abatement team authorized the work, it was performed without an active contract.

The Department of Buildings and Inspections has since implemented a procurement and accounting review policy to ensure compliance in the future.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to make payment to Rainbow Environmental Services in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director  
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment