
Re: Emergency PO Request Environmental Cleanup and Waste Disposal

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Date Fri 8/7/2026 3:05 PM

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I approve.

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Sent: Friday, August 7, 2026 2:21 PM

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Subject: RE: Emergency PO Request Environmental Cleanup and Waste Disposal

Good afternoon Mayor,

I am forwarding the request below for your approval of an emergency procurement related to the environmental cleanup and disposal resulting from the illicit discharge into the City's stormwater system on NE 3rd Avenue.

Public Works has identified current known costs of \$28,101.54 associated with the cleanup and disposal. This amount may increase once laboratory results are received and the final disposal requirements for the recovered liquids are determined.

Because the emergency procurement exceeds \$25,000, Section 2-198(2) of the City Code requires the City Manager to be joined by the Mayor in approving the expenditure.

I have reviewed the request and concur with Public Works' recommendation. Please let me know if you approve proceeding with the emergency procurement.

Thank you,



Sierra Marrero, AICP

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Sierra,

Please see the email below. We have incurred substantial costs associated with cleaning up the illegal dumping into our stormwater system. The current known cost is \$28,101.54; however, this amount may change once we receive the laboratory analysis results.

Please approve this emergency cleanup. Since the cost exceeds \$25,000, we will also need the Mayor's approval.

Thank you,



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Action

Public Works requests approval to proceed with the emergency disposal of solids and liquids recovered as a result of an illicit discharge of approximately 2,000 gallons of chemical into the City's stormwater drainage system on NE 3rd Avenue on Wednesday.

The current known cost associated with the emergency disposal is \$28,101.54, consisting of:

- Liquids: \$4,760.40 – current costs incurred/established; final disposal fees remain pending laboratory analysis.
- Solids: \$23,341.14 – disposal cost.

The total cost is subject to increase once the laboratory analysis is completed and the final disposal requirements and fees for the recovered liquids are determined.

Summary

On Wednesday, City staff responded to an illicit discharge of approximately 2,000 gallons of chemical into the City's stormwater drainage system on NE 3rd Avenue. The discharge created an immediate threat to public health, safety, City infrastructure, and the environment, requiring an emergency response to contain the material and prevent further migration through the stormwater system.

Public Works responded to the incident in coordination with the Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) and Oakland Park Fire Rescue. To mitigate the hazard, the City deployed three (3) vacuum trucks to the location to recover the discharged liquids and impacted solids from the stormwater drainage system and affected area.

The recovered materials require proper handling, characterization, transportation, and disposal. The cost for disposal of the recovered solids is \$23,341.14.

Current costs associated with the recovered liquids are \$4,760.40. The liquids are being held pending laboratory analysis to determine the appropriate waste classification and disposal method. Accordingly, final disposal fees for the liquids are not yet included and remain pending the results of the analysis.

The current known emergency response and disposal cost is \$28,101.54. Public Works will update the total cost once the analysis is complete and final liquid disposal fees are provided.

Emergency Purchasing Guidelines

Public Works requests permission to proceed with the disposal of the materials recovered from the illicit discharge under the City's Emergency Purchasing provisions of Section 2-198(2). Since the purchase will be over \$25,000, a formal report to the City Commission will follow. Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sec. 2-198. - Exceptions to competitive procurement requirement

- (2) Emergency procurements. The city manager may make emergency procurements of supplies or contractual services where the cost exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) when there exists a clear and present threat to public health, property, welfare, safety or other substantial loss to the city, when joined in said action by the mayor, provided, however, that such emergency procurements shall be made with such competition as is practicable under the circumstances. A written determination of the basis for the emergency and for the selection of the particular contractor shall be included in the contract file. As soon as practicable, a record of the emergency procurement shall be made and shall set forth the contractor's name, the amount and type of the contract, a listing of the supply or contractual service procured under this contract, and the number of the purchase order, if any. The city commission must be notified, after the fact, of

such procurements in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) at the next scheduled commission meeting. In any event any increase over the original amount of an emergency procurement reported to the city commission exceeding ten (10) percent shall be reported to the city commission to be noted for the record.

Best,



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