

**Resolution authorizing an Agreement with CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for Timberlake Water Treatment Plant Upgrades (Water Softening) Project (Sanitary Engineering)(\$458,993.46)**

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners recognizes the continuing need protect public health and the environment and improve water quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners via the Sanitary Engineering Department owns, operates, and maintains the Timberlake Water Treatment Plant which treats groundwater and distributes it to residents of the Timberlake Subdivision and the Village of Harrisburg; and

**WHEREAS**, the groundwater contains salt constituents that after treatment do meet water quality standards and is safe, but are not aesthetically pleasing to customers and many have installed in-home water softeners to improve the water quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the Timberlake Water Treatment Plant, constructed in 2012, did account for water softening capability but it was not designed or installed at the time of construction; and

**WHEREAS**, all other County water customers receive softened water from a public source through intergovernmental agreements with the City of Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, the water customers in the Timberlake and Harrisburg areas have collaboratively requested the County improve the water quality at the Timberlake Water Treatment Plant; and

**WHEREAS**, after careful consideration of several engineering firms who submitted qualifications in response to ITB 2015-09-04 in February 2015, CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. has been selected to perform the design through construction phase oversight; and

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Sanitary Engineer recommends the approval of a Contract with CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. to provide professional engineering services for a water softening system that will benefit the residents of the Timberlake and Harrisburg areas by providing similar water quality as other County water customers receive; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. That the attached Contract and PO Proof with CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$458,993.46 is hereby approved.
2. That there are no encumbered funds for this Contract in 2015.