



Building A Better Long Beach

January 7, 2008

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with AMPOWER to construct, install and maintain improvements at interim parking lots on Long Beach Redevelopment Agency-owned properties in an amount not to exceed \$130,000. (Downtown – Districts 1 and 2)

DISCUSSION

The site assembly and project development process can take an extended period of time. To ensure productive use of properties after they have been assembled for a project but prior to construction, the Long Beach Redevelopment Agency (Agency) provides a needed service by developing surface parking lots as an interim use. Over the next year, there is a need to reconfigure, expand and upgrade Agency-owned parking lots in the Downtown Redevelopment Project.

On the Broadway Block (Exhibit A), the Agency has assembled a number of properties that can be used to expand the existing City-owned parking lot. To increase parking capacity on the Broadway Block, the existing interior fencing needs to be removed, the existing fencing painted, the newly acquired parcels paved and fenced, the entire area striped, and automated parking equipment and parking signage installed. The estimated cost for these improvements is \$75,000.

The upcoming construction of the Hotel Esterel will require relocation of the Insurance Exchange residential parking from the hotel site to an area on the Agency-owned parking lots to the southeast (Exhibit A). Facilities similar to the current parking will be provided: 20 spaces within a fenced and locked area. The estimated cost for these improvements is \$30,000.

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Currently, the Agency operates both a City-employee parking lot and a public parking lot on the proposed Williams & Dame Development site fronting 4th Street, Pacific Avenue and 3rd Street. To improve revenue collection at the public parking lot, automated parking equipment should be installed. The estimated cost for the equipment and accompanying signage is \$5,000.

The overall cost of these improvements is \$110,000. Another \$20,000 is requested to maintain and provide potential repairs to these and other Agency-owned parking facilities in the Downtown Project Area. It is recommended that the Agency enter into an agreement not to exceed \$130,000 with American Power Wash (AMPOWER) to provide the aforementioned services. As a subcontractor, AMPOWER has cleaned, paved and installed improvements on City and Agency-owned parking lots. The quality of the firm's services has been high and cost effective. The term of the agreement would be for one-year with two possible one-year extensions and an amount not to exceed \$130,000.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CRAIG BECK
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Attachment: Exhibit A – Parking Improvement Locations

Exhibit A - Parking Improvement Locations

