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BELMONT SHORE PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA COMMISSION MEMBERS

City of Long Beach
California

REFERENCE: 13-043BS

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve expenditure not to exceed \$7,200 to purchase three-year Clean software for the Big Belly solar trash compactors, as well as minor maintenance.

DISCUSSION

The City of Long Beach Council approved at the December 15, 2009 meeting a citywide pilot program to evaluate the use of solar powered trash and recycle compaction units for a six-month period. Belmont Shore received one of these Big Belly trash compactors, which was installed on the corner of Argonne Avenue and 2nd Street, near Jamba Juice and Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf stores. Based on the success of the Big Belly trash compactor and recycling receptacle located on 2nd Street, the commission approved purchase from Waxie Sanitary Supply a total of nine (9) additional units that were installed at various locations on 2nd Street.

A component of the purchase included hardware and software that monitors real-time trash levels, as well as the capability to prepare extensive reports. These reports are essential for evaluating the functionality of the trash compactors, as well as real-time trash level monitoring, which allows for a significantly more efficient trash pickup schedule. This real-time trash level monitoring saves money by reducing the manpower required for manually checking trash levels.

The initial contract period for the software was one year from installation, which will soon expire, and there are three options for renewal:

1. Lifetime software per unit \$1,495 (\$16,445 total)
2. 5 year software per unit \$995 (\$10,945 total)
3. 3 year software per unit \$630 (\$6,930 total)
4. 1 year software per unit \$225 (\$2,475 total)

RECOMMENDATION

Approve recommendation.