



CITY OF LONG BEACH

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

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November 1, 2011

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to increase interim blanket Purchase Order No., POPR11000017 with Azteca Landscape, Inc., Ontario, CA, in the amount of \$454,276, bringing the total contract amount not to exceed \$541,862, to fund the purchase of landscaping and maintenance services for Queensway Bay. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

This contract is used by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine for the purchase of grounds and landscape maintenance services in the Queensway Bay area. Given the high concentration of tourists and conventioners in the area, the City has identified Queensway Bay as requiring a higher level of grounds and landscape services, similar to a theme park site. This City Council action will ensure the continued service level and quality landscaping expected by local businesses, visitors and conventioners at the City's Queensway Bay area.

The current contract with Azteca Landscape, Inc., expired on March 1, 2011, at which time an interim purchase order was issued to enable the continuation of services. A bidding process ensued for a new contract; however, it was determined that a revision to the specifications was necessary to more accurately depict the scope of work, and to expand the pool of bidders. This bidding process is currently underway and approval for the new contract will be presented to the City Council in January 2012. In order to sustain services, additional contract authority in the amount of \$454,276 is being requested.

The matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Burton on October 12, 2011 and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on October 13, 2011.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 1, 2011 to ensure additional funds are added expeditiously and to maintain continuity of services.

FISCAL IMPACT

Of the total increase of \$454,276, \$228,497 is appropriated in the Rainbow Harbor Fund (TF 411) in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PR) in FY 11 Budget, and the remaining \$225,779 is included in the FY 12 Adopted Budget in the Rainbow Harbor Fund (TF 411). This award will provide continued support to our local economy by assisting in the preservation of one full-time employee residing in Long Beach with employment.

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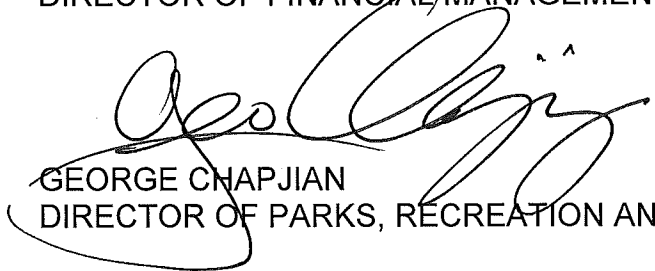
SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

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APPROVED:



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