



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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October 4, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Specifications No PA-02705 and award a contract to EDCO Waste Services for the diversion of green waste debris in the estimated amount of \$200,000 for the period commencing October 17, 2005 for one year, with the option of renewing for two additional one-year periods.

DISCUSSION

The City enters into an annual contract that requires a contractor to pick up green waste debris (e.g., tree trimmings, limbs and palm fronds) at various City locations for transport to a facility for composting, recycling or use as alternate daily cover at landfill sites. City staff analyzed the cost of both types of diversion and the cost for composting was found to be the most cost-effective option.

The City has an ongoing need for these services as a result of its tree trimming operations. Under this contract, the Contractor will be required to convert green waste debris to compost, with a diversion rate of 97 percent. This diversion rate exceeds the State of California Assembly Bill 939 goals regarding source reduction and recycling.

On August 22, 2005, five potential bidders specializing in the diversion of green waste were notified; none were Minority-owned Business Enterprises (MBEs), none were Woman-owned Business Enterprises (WBEs), one was a Long Beach business. The bid was advertised on August 17, 2005. The bid document was made available from the Purchasing Division located on the Plaza Level of City Hall and the Division's website at www.lbpurchasing.org. A bid announcement was also included in the Purchasing Division's weekly update on Open Bid Opportunities sent to 32 local, minority, and women's groups. Bids were opened on September 6, 2005. EDCO Waste Services, of Lemon Grove, CA., with a local office in Long Beach, CA., was the lowest responsible bidder.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin on August 9, 2005 and by Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on September 20, 2005.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to adopt Specifications No. PA-02705 and award the contract is requested on October 4, 2005 to ensure that a contract is in place before the requested October 17, 2005 start date.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of this contract, in the estimated amount of \$200,000 annually, is budgeted in the General Fund (GP) in the Parks, Recreation and Marine (PR) and Public Works (PW) departments. The annual estimated amount is based on historical expenditures and reflects a decrease in the estimated amount awarded on the previous contract. The City will have the option of adding expenditures up to 10 percent above the contract amount.

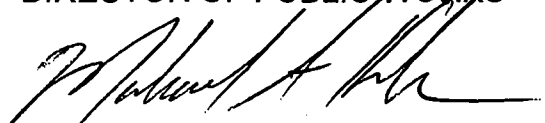
SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,




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APPROVED:



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