

**CITY OF GOODYEAR
COUNCIL ACTION REPORT**

SUBJECT: Approve Citywide Landscape Maintenance Contract

STAFF PRESENTER: David Seid, Parks and Recreation Manager

CASE NUMBER: None

OTHER PRESENTER: None

PROPOSED ACTION:

Approve the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$557,300 for landscape maintenance services of city right of way and facilities in order to award the contract to Mariposa Landscape Inc.

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

Previous landscape maintenance services were provided by Somerset Landscape LLC through CON-18-4136A, which was approved on March 5, 2018. This contract included maintenance services of approximately 7 million square feet of right of way and two city facilities (City Hall and Goodyear Municipal Complex). This contract also included annual trimming of approximately 1,875 palm trees and 650 large canopy trees (for trees exceeding 30 ft. in height).

STAFF ANALYSIS:

Somerset Landscape LLC began performing maintenance tasks associated with CON-18-4136A on April 29, 2018. Within a few months of beginning this work, staff noted multiple areas of contractual non-compliance, which included missed deadlines for pre-emergent weed spraying, annual palm tree trimming, and summer tree/shrub trimming. Due to this contractual non-compliance, the Parks and Recreation Department and the Procurement Division engaged in numerous communications, including several in-person meetings with Somerset management, to cure the contractual deficiencies. Following those meetings, Somerset continued to be contractually non-compliant. On September 17, 2018, the city provided a formal notice to cure to Somerset and requested immediate action to become current with their landscape maintenance contract. Following that notice, the contractual deficiencies continued and Somerset was never able to fulfill their contract obligations. On December 31, 2018, the City informed Somerset that their landscape maintenance contract was being terminated.

At this time, the Parks and Recreation Department and the Facilities Division of the Public Works Department are recommending the award of this contract to Mariposa Landscape Inc. During the initial procurement for landscaping services in spring of 2018, the IFB resulted in a dual-award as the evaluation team ranked Mariposa Landscape Inc. as the number two vendor and was most economical to the city in delivering landscape maintenance services to the water/wastewater sites. Mariposa has been servicing these areas in accordance with the contracted terms since April of 2018 and staff now recommends that Mariposa Landscape Inc. assume all landscape maintenance throughout the city.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The anticipated expense for the remainder of FY2019 for landscape maintenance services under the contract are available within the various departmental operating budgets. There are no additional funds being requested as part of this recommendation. The departmental budget breakdown is outlined below:

- Parks and Recreation Department: \$435,000 is currently available within the Parks and Right of Way Divisions General Fund operating budgets.
- Public Works Facilities Division: \$66,700 is currently available within the division General Fund operating budget.
- Water Reclamation and Water Production Division (Public Works) \$25,600 is currently available within the division Water Operating fund budget.
- Streets Division (Engineering): \$30,000 is currently available within the division General Fund operating budgets.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the expenditure of funds associated with CON-18-4136B with Mariposa Landscape Inc. in the amount of \$557,300 for annual landscape maintenance services of city right of way and facilities.

ATTACHMENTS:

Contract: CON-18-4136B