



REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Grant Yates, City Manager

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Date: April 9, 2019

SUBJECT: Contractor Services Agreement with Stryder Transportation for Shuttle Services

Recommendation

Authorize the City Manager to execute a Contractor Services Agreement with Stryder Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for shuttle services in such final form as approved by the City Attorney.

Background

This year, the City of Lake Elsinore has faced a natural phenomenon unlike anything the City has ever experienced before; the 2019 Super Bloom. The Super Bloom, located in Walker Canyon, has attracted hundreds of thousands of visitors to the City from all over the world, capturing international media attention and interest. As a result, the Super Bloom has created significant traffic congestion and public safety issues for the City particularly along Interstate 15, Lake Street and Nichols Road.

To address these challenges and others, the City partnered with County, Transportation and Public Safety personnel to create a unified approach to address increasing challenges related to this year's Super Bloom. Measures implemented have included increased resources and support, additional traffic control measures, increased enforcement, expanded public notices, and improved access plans. The City has remained flexible throughout this event and has evaluated and updated its action plans, as needed, to ensure the overall safety of those visiting Walker Canyon while also trying to reduce the impact on residents and roads.

The Super Bloom officially began in late February and started to subside the week of April 1st.

Discussion

To facilitate adequate access to the Super Bloom while limiting the impacts to residents, the City hired Stryder Transportation to offer shuttle services on the weekends to and from Walker Canyon Trail.

Shuttle services were first offered Saturday, March 16th and 17th and a total of 6,643 riders took the shuttle. Subsequently, an estimated 13,773 riders used the shuttle on March 23rd and 24th and another 12,062 riders used the shuttle services on March 30th and 31st.

Costs associated with these shuttles services are expected exceed the City Manager's authorization and require formal City Council approval.

Shuttle riders have been charged \$5 per person up to \$10 per person to help offset all costs associated with the shuttle services including the shuttle services, related law enforcement, staffing, and traffic control. The proposed Contractor Services Agreement is for up \$250,000 to accommodate all possible costs for services through April 2019. Proposed costs are attached as Exhibit A to the Agreement.

The City has been satisfied with Stryder Transportation's services and recommends the City Council approve this agreement to continue this service related to the Super Bloom.

Fiscal Impact

The Agreement for Contractor Services with Stryder Transportation is for an amount not to exceed \$250,000. All costs associated with this agreement are expected to be offset through revenues collected for the services rendered.

Exhibits

A – Agreement