

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Grant Yates, City Manager

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Date: August 28, 2018

Subject: <u>Award of Contract to Diversified Landscape Co. for the Maintenance of</u>

Park Landscape Mulch - CIP #Z40023

Recommendation

Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement in an amount not to exceed \$156,240, in such final form as approved by the City Attorney.

Background

There are 15 City owned parks that require planters and slope mulch; approximately 5600 cubic yards (CY). A Request for Quote (RFQ) was emailed on June 4th, 2018, to six (6) companies informing them of the informal bid request. The following were responsive contractors:

	Quote for 5,600 cy:
Diversified Landscape Co.	\$156,240
Recycled Wood Products (RWP)	\$156,800
Apollo Wood Products	\$174,510
North County Supply	\$227,304
Mulch Master	\$343,738

Discussion

There is a real need for the use of mulch in today's climate. Mulch reduces water evaporation, which in turn saves on water bills. Mulch reduces soil erosion by up to 85 percent. Bark mulch breaks down and decomposes adding nutrients to the plants. Unfortunately, along with the decomposing, mulch is also lost when landscape contractors rake it out when removing leaves and debris. Mulch in our landscapes and slopes should be renewed every three to five years.

Fiscal Impact

The City has funds reserved for this project in the CIP Park Landscape Mulch Project # Z40023.

Exhibits

Diversified Landscape Co. – Exhibit A – Proposal Diversified Landscape Co. – Exhibit B – Contractor Service Agreement