



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: **FY18-19 Award of Contract to Recycled Wood Products (RWP) for the Mulch Maintenance of Citywide Streetscapes & LLMD**

Recommendation

Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement with Recycled Wood Products (RWP), in an amount not to exceed \$89,600, in such final form as approved by the City Attorney.

Background

A Request for Quote (RFQ) was emailed on June 4th, 2018, to six (6) companies informing them of the informal bid request for the supply and install of approximately 3200 cubic yards (CY) of mulch for various locations throughout the city. These areas include medians, parkways, parking lots and slopes. The following were responsive contractors:

	<u>Quote for 3,200 Cubic Yards:</u>
Recycled Wood Products (RWP)	\$89,600
Diversified Landscape Co.	\$92,480
Apollo Wood Products	\$115,720
Mulch Masters	\$194,980

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 identified funding for this project in the FY18-19 Citywide LLMD – Landscape Maintenance accounts.

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Exhibits

Recycled Wood Products (RWP) – Exhibit A – Proposal

Recycled Wood Products (RWP) – Exhibit B – Contractor Service Agreement