

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 308688

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JAN 2 2014

Item # 331  
12/17/13  
Sub. B

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH WEST COAST ARBORIST, INC. AND RELATED EXPENDITURES FOR TREE SERVICE ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE PARK AND RECREATION MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15301.

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Park and Recreation Department currently administers 50 Maintenance Assessment Districts located throughout the City (collectively, the Districts); and

WHEREAS, service requirements within the Districts include maintenance of landscape and hardscape medians, parkways, greenbelts, parks, open space, as well as enhanced services including landscaping on a median, enhanced open space, and focal landscaping; and

WHEREAS, all tree service activities in the Districts are provided by a landscape contractor; and

WHEREAS, following a competitive selection and procurement process, the City selected West Coast Arborist, Inc. as the lowest and most responsive proposer, and the City Council authorized a contract with West Coast Arborist, Inc. for tree service activities within the Districts (Project); and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.), section 21084, states that the CEQA Guidelines thereto (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq.) shall list those classes of projects

which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall be exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300-15333 list the categorical exemptions promulgated by the California Office of Planning and Research and adopted by the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency for those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Department has established that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 related to maintenance of existing facilities and that no exception to the exemption, as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2, applies to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the potential environmental effects of the Project; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2013, the City Council held a duly noticed public meeting and considered the written record for the Project as well as public comment; and

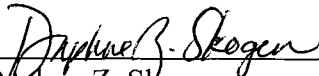
WHEREAS, the City Council, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment because the tree service activities in the Districts merely include care and cleaning of existing street medians, parkway landscaping, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, landscaped slopes, greenbelts, and open space areas; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

1. The Council has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301.

2. The Council has determined that an exception to the exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 does not apply.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

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Daphne Z. Skogen  
Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of DEC 17 2013.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By   
Deputy City Clerk

Approved pursuant to Charter section 265(i):

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(date)

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TODD GLORIA, Council President

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on DEC 17 2013, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Sherri Lightner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kevin Faulconer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Gloria	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Myrtle Cole	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mark Kersey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lorie Zapf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Sherman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
David Alvarez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marti Emerald	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage JAN 2 2014.

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Council President as interim Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
as interim Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By *Mary Zumaiga*, Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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