

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 31321.0

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE SEP 22 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT RENEWAL OPTIONS FOR WEST COAST ARBORISTS, INC. FOR CITY WIDE STREET TREE MAINTENANCE ARE CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15301(H) AND 15304.

WHEREAS, this action will authorize execution of four one-year renewal options to extend contractual services with West Coast Arborists, Inc. for Citywide street tree maintenance and street tree planting (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 Planning Department has established that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301(h) (Existing Facilities) and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), and that no exception to the exemption, as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2, applies to the Project; and

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

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment because the Projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301(h) (Existing Facilities), includes maintenance of existing landscaping, native growth, and water supply reservoirs, and section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego determines that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301(h) (Existing Facilities) and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego has determined that an exception to the exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 does not apply.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By /s/ Cassandra E. Mougín  
Cassandra E. Mougín  
Deputy City Attorney

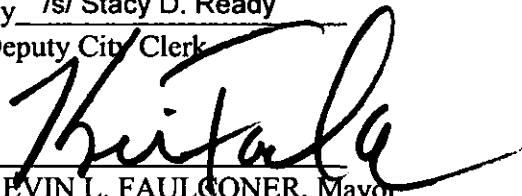
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego,  
at its meeting of 09/15/2020.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By /s/ Stacy D. Ready  
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 9/21/2020  
(date)

  
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KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on SEP 15 2020, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Barbara Bry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Ward	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monica Montgomery	<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"/>
Chris Cate	<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"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Georgette Gómez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage SEP 22 2020.

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

AUTHENTICATED BY:

KEVIN L. FAULCONER  
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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

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