



City of Stockton

Legislation Text

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ADOPT RESOLUTION TO AWARD SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR THE DEBRIS REMOVAL AND PICKUP PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution to:

1. Award multi-year Service Contracts through June 30, 2024, for Debris Removal and Pickup, Project No. OM-22-021, with the following community partners:
 - a. \$403,000 with Stockton 209 Cares of Stockton, CA.
 - b. \$234,000 with Ready to Work of Stockton, CA.
 - c. \$384,000 with San Joaquin County Office of Education dba Greater Valley Conservation Corps of Stockton, CA.
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute up to two optional one-year extensions to each of these Service Contracts.
3. Authorize the continuation of appropriations from FY 2021-22 to be used in FY 2022-23 for the homeless clean-up program in Public Works' operating budget, not to exceed the amount of \$170,000.
4. Approve findings pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code section 3.68.070 in support of an exception to the competitive bidding process.

It is also recommended that the City Manager be authorized to take appropriate and necessary actions to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution.

Summary

The Debris Removal and Pickup program is a Clean City Initiative effort to improve blight in Stockton by removing litter and illegally dumped material citywide. This program is focused on cleaning City public streets, alleys, and parks.

On January 7, 2022, the City advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Debris Removal and Pickup, Project No. OM-22-021. Five firms submitted proposals for this project. The Selection Committee evaluated the proposals and found Stockton 209 Cares, Ready to Work, and San Joaquin County Office of Education dba Greater Valley Conservation Corps (GVCC) to be the most qualified organizations.

It is recommended that Council adopt a resolution to approve findings and authorize the City Manager to execute multi-year Service Contracts through June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$403,000 with Stockton 209 Cares, \$234,000 with Ready to Work, and \$384,000 with GVCC.

DISCUSSION

Background

Litter and illegal dumping contribute to significant blight in Stockton. In 2020, the Clean City Initiative was launched to promote a collaborative effort between City leaders, City departments, private industry, and community volunteers to reduce trash accumulation and illegal dumping citywide.

To offset internal staffing capacity, Public Works utilizes multiple vendors who provide debris removal and hauling services for illegally dumped items. In 2021, Public Works oversaw the collective removal of over 1,700 tons of debris from public streets and approximately 1,500 tons of debris from Mormon Slough and other homeless encampments citywide. Public Works' Community Enhancement crew and extended team of partners completed over 5,400 work orders last fiscal year for removal of illegal dumping.

Past practice has been to solicit local community partners for services on a limited term basis ranging from six months to one year. To provide services more effectively, ensure timely response and reduce administrative demands, an RFP was developed to retain multiple service providers at set rates to assist with Clean City Initiative efforts.

Present Situation

On January 7, 2022, the City advertised an RFP for Debris Removal and Pickup, Project No. OM-22-021. On January 26, 2022, five proposals were received from the following organizations:

- Stockton 209 Cares (Stockton, CA)
- Ready to Work (Stockton, CA)
- GVCC (Stockton, CA)
- Landscape Maintenance of America (Rocklin, CA)
- T&R Restore (Colusa, CA)

A Selection Committee comprised of Public Works' staff evaluated and ranked all proposals. Stockton 209 Cares, Ready to Work, and GVCC were determined to be the most qualified organizations for this program. All three community partners demonstrated a clear understanding of the scope of work required for the program and have specific and relevant experience.

Staff negotiated fees in the amount of \$403,000 with Stockton 209 Cares, \$234,000 with Ready to Work, and \$384,000 with GVCC, to provide services for the Debris Removal and Pickup, Project No. OM-22-021. Staff recommends that Council adopt a resolution to award Service Contracts in the respective amounts through June 30, 2024.

The community partners will provide varying levels of service based on their respective staffing

capacities and total program funding available. Contracted services will be through June 30, 2024, with the option of two one-year extensions.

Findings

Pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code (SMC) section 3.68.070, Council may approve findings which support an exception to the competitive bidding process. These findings include:

1. The City does not have sufficient staff available to perform the work required for this program.
2. The scope of services requires community partners experienced in debris removal and pickup.
3. Use of the RFP process is appropriate for the Service Contracts because, in addition to cost, it relies on the evaluation of years of experience as the basis for selection of a vendor. Use of the criteria helps ensure selection of vendors that will provide the highest quality service in the most cost-effective way, which is in the public interest.
4. The City negotiated contracts following the solicitation of competitive proposals in accordance with SMC section 3.68.070.A.3.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Funding for the multi-year Service Contracts with Stockton 209 Cares in the amount of \$403,000, Ready to Work in the amount of \$234,000, and GVCC in the amount of \$384,000 for the Debris Removal and Pickup, Project No. OM-22-021, is proposed to be funded from the FY 2022-23 Homelessness Program, Account No. 4570-003-630006-100-000-30-45-000-000.

With the continuation of FY 2021-22 Public Works Account No. 4570-003-610003-100-000-30-45-000-000 \$45,000 and Account No. 4570-003-630006-100-000-30-45-000-000 \$124,373, contracts can be issued in FY 2022-23 for the Homelessness Program.

Sufficient funding is available for the first year of the proposed Service Contracts. Future funding will be allocated during the annual budget process for each additional year(s).