



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE:

November 4, 2020

DEPARTMENT:

Parks & Recreation

DIVISION:

Parks Maintenance

- ☒ Motion
- ☐ Resolution
- ☐ Ordinance - Introduction
- ☐ Ordinance - Adoption
- ☐ Public Hearing

TITLE:

Grant Award Amendment: 2020 Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management Hazardous Vegetation Removal Program

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Administrator to: 1) execute the amended contractual terms of a grant award of \$176,850 with the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management (AZ DFFM); 2) cancel the existing sub-contract with the AZ DFFM associated with this grant; and 3) enter into a new sub-contract for this grant's programmatic activities with an independent licensed contractor. (Parks and Recreation) (John Simonton)

REPORT:

The City of Yuma, through the Parks and Recreation Department, applied for grant funds in May 2019. In August 2019, the City was awarded an amount up to \$200,000 in funding. The final negotiated amount of the award is \$176,850.

Due to COVID-19, a number of factors have made amendments to this contract necessary, including the fact that the City cannot utilize the inmate labor that was anticipated and calculated into the original agreement and will now need to bid out the work to a licensed commercial contractor. The dollar amount of the grant has not changed.

Grant funds will be paid on a reimbursement basis. The City is required to provide a cost-share match of \$19,650, which the City will provide through in-kind contributions (budgeted salaries and fringe benefits of grant project staff).

An amended grant agreement must be executed prior to the start of any grant activities. All grant activities must be completed by July 31, 2021.

Grant funds will be used for programmatic and administrative costs associated with reducing, removing, and eliminating wildland fire hazardous fuels (i.e. standing and downed, decaying and dead trees, woody materials, piles of leafy debris and green waste, overgrown connecting tree canopies, and fuel ladders touching the ground) on approximately 46 acres in and adjacent to the Millennial and Gowan Groves and eastward toward the Centennial Beach boat ramp in the West Wetlands Park of the Riverfront Regional Park.

Funds will also be used for: improving fire breaks for the safety of first responders; and firewising, which means planning to reduce wildfire risks and increase ignition resistance of targeted Wildland Urban Interface areas, which are spaces of significant financial value and/or in close proximity to properties where people live, work, and play.

FISCAL REQUIREMENTS	CITY FUNDS:	\$19,650.00	BUDGETED:	\$250,000.00
	STATE FUNDS:	\$176,850.00	AVAILABLE TO TRANSFER:	\$0.00
	FEDERAL FUNDS:	\$0.00	IN CONTINGENCY:	\$0.00
	OTHER SOURCES:	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	FUNDING FOR THIS ITEM IS FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT / FUND / CIP: 2% fund and CIP 0064-Parks9	
	TOTAL:	\$196,500.00		
	<p>FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:</p> <p>The required match amount of \$19,650 will be derived solely from budgeted salaries and fringe benefits.</p> <p>The City must pay a sub-recipient/licensed contractor to perform the work and then recover its expenses from the grantor of the project. Annual maintenance costs in the first three years will be less than \$5,000 annually for labor, materials, and supplies.</p> <p>This project is included in the CIP for the 2020-2021 FY budget.</p>			
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	<p>SUPPORTING INFORMATION NOT ATTACHED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM THAT IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 			
	<p>IF CITY COUNCIL ACTION INCLUDES A CONTRACT, LEASE OR AGREEMENT, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ROUTING THE DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE AFTER CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Department</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> City Clerk's Office</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Document to be recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Document to be codified</p>			
SIGNATURES	CITY ADMINISTRATOR:		DATE:	
	Philip A. Rodriguez		10/28/2020	
	REVIEWED BY CITY ATTORNEY:		DATE:	
	Richard W. Files		10/28/2020	
	RECOMMENDED BY (DEPT/DIV HEAD):		DATE:	
John Simonton		10/20/2020		
WRITTEN/SUBMITTED BY:		DATE:		
Tewana Cervantes		10/12/2020		