

Staff Report

TO:	City Council
FROM:	Elizabeth Gibbs, Community Services Director

DATE September 15, 2020

SUBJECT: Award an Agreement for Maintenance Services to Turboscape, Inc. in an Amount Not-To-Exceed \$100,000 for City-wide Mulching

Background and Analysis:

Beaumont Municipal Code Chapter 3.01.040 requires an informal bidding procedure for maintenance work and other general service projects with cost estimates between \$45,000 and \$175,000.

Staff contacted several landscape maintenance contractors that specialize in the sale, delivery, and installation of wood mulch. Wood mulch is needed throughout the City's landscape maintenance rights-of-way and parks to minimize weed growth and add a positive aesthetic appearance to the landscaped areas.

Three companies responded to the request and submitted quotes based on a rate per yard of mulch. Amounts received varied from \$36 per yard to \$50 per yard of installed mulch. After reviewing the quotes, the individual contractors were contacted to ascertain their ability to handle the installation of large quantities of mulch in a timely manner. It was determined that the lowest, most responsive bidder that could best meet the delivery needs of the City is Turboscape, Inc.

Turboscape, Inc. has a valid California contractor's license and is registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR). They currently operate a fleet of mulch trucks, including one large capacity mulch truck that can distribute 120 yards of mulch in a single load. Their ability to provide the mulching service in a timelier manner far outweighs the lower bidder's ability and is therefore, more responsive to the City's needs.

Fiscal Impact:

Mulching installation costs are included in the adopted Fiscal Year 2021 budget and allocated to 100-6050-7070-0000.

Recommended Action:

Award an Agreement for Maintenance Services for wood mulch installation to Turboscape, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Attachments:

A. Agreement for Maintenance Services