

STAFF REPORT 6/25/2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Jaime Arroyo, Grants Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution No. 2025-35 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a

Grant Agreement with Imperial Irrigation District in the Amount of \$29,600 for

the Public Green Space Grant Bagdouma Park Project

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council consider adopting Resolution No. 2025-35 authorizing the City Manager to execute a grant agreement with Imperial Irrigation District in the amount of \$29,600 for the Public Green Space Grant Bagdouma Park Project.

BACKGROUND:

Imperial Irrigation District's (IID) 2025 Public Green Space Grant Program initiative is part of IID's Tree for All program. The Grant provides opportunities for cities to increase their urban forests. Planting urban trees provide essential benefits such as cooling cities by lowering temperatures through tree shading, reducing energy demand, and enhancing public spaces promoting well-being and quality of life. In 2024, 18 projects across 40 sites throughout Imperial and Coachella Valley were awarded. On May 5, 2025, the City of Coachella submitted an application for the Public Green Space Grant to plant trees 24" box trees at Bagdouma Park. On June 5, 2025, IID approved the City of Coachella's application for \$29,600.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

As a desert city, Coachella faces unique environmental challenges. Planting additional trees extends beyond aesthetic purposes, they serve as vital infrastructure that mitigates heat, improves air quality, supports public health, and strengthens climate resilience. Increased tree canopy translates directly to safer, more comfortable recreation areas for children, families, and seniors. The species selected for this planting are well-suited to desert conditions and include Acacia Aneura, Tipuana Tipu, Bauhinia Blakeana, Jacaranda Mimosifolia, Lysiloma Thornberi, Acacia Saligna, Quercus Virginia. These species not only thrive in arid climates but also contribute to carbon sequestration, wind buffering, and shade provision. Additionally, the new trees will also contribute to greenhouse gas reductions.

Installation and irrigation will be managed by Vintage Landscape, Inc. The city's current contractor for Bagdouma Park's landscape maintenance. Future maintenance for the trees will be fully integrated into the City's ongoing arborist and landscape service contracts.

Project Budget:

Project Costs	
49 – 24" Box Trees @ \$525 each (includes stakes and ties)	\$25,725
49 – 24" irrigation heads @ \$78.50 each	\$3,712.20
Total	\$29,437.20

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-35 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement with Imperial Irrigation District in the Amount of \$29,600 for the Public Green Space Grant Bagdouma Park Project
- 2. Not Adopt Resolution No. 2025-35 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement with Imperial Irrigation District in the Amount of \$29,600 for the Public Green Space Grant Bagdouma Park Project

FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of Resolution No. 2025-35 will have no effect on the City's General Fund. Project is fully funded by the Public Green Space Grant Program. Grant funding will be distributed in two payments: 50% funding upon award and 50% funding at project completion.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution No. 2025-35
- 2. Copy of Grant Agreement