

# **STAFF REPORT** 3/24/2021

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Maritza Martinez, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Approve execution of Amendment No. 1 and Amendment No. 2 to Vintage

Landscape to allow for desertscape improvements at city facilities.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve execution of Amendment No. 1 and Amendment No. 2 to Vintage Landscape to allow for desertscape improvements at city facilities.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Coachella Water Authority (CWA) has available Proposition 1 Round 1 funding for turf replacement projects. In collaboration with CWA city staff have identified various city park/facilities locations that would benefit from these available grant funds. Turf removal at Bagdouma Park (west side behind baseball fields) and turf area in front of old city library will decrease utility and maintenance costs. Total turf area recommended for removal at the Bagdouma Park location is 30,000 square feet and total turf area at the old city library is 4,233 square feet. The available grant funding will provide \$5.00 per square foot to convert the turf areas to a more desert friendly landscape design.

Staff is requesting approval to amend the compensation in two existing landscape maintenance agreements with Vintage Landscape to complete these improvements: 1) the Bagdouma Park Project Agreement by \$150,000 and 2) the City Parks and Office Facilities Project Agreement by \$21,165. Amending the increased compensation of these two agreements will allow for the removal of three-fourths an acre of turf at city facilities and replacement with desertscape landscape design and drought tolerant plant material; these improvements are grant funded.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The funds identified for this work will be reimbursed by allocated Proposition 1 Round 1 grant funds. Council appropriates \$171,165 in the City's Water Fund (178) and amends budgeted revenue to reflect the grant reimbursement.

#### Attachments:

Proposed Amendment No. 1 & No. 2