

January 23, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Long Beach  
California

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation to authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend Contract No. 34856 with Rehrig Pacific Company, of Los Angeles, CA, for the purchase and delivery of refuse and recycling containers on the same terms and conditions afforded to Miami-Dade County, FL, until the Miami-Dade County, FL, contract expires on October 31, 2026, and to increase the contract amount by \$19,359,600, for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$23,859,600. (Citywide)

**DISCUSSION**

City Council approval is requested to amend Contract No. 34856 with Rehrig Pacific Company to continue purchasing refuse and recycling containers.

On October 17, 2017, the City Council awarded a contract to Rehrig Pacific Company (RPC) as part of its adoption of Resolution RES-17-0124 for the purchase and delivery of refuse and recycling containers in an annual amount not to exceed \$900,000, for a period of five (5) years, with the option to renew for one (1) additional five-year period, at the discretion of the City Manager. On August 8, 2022, the City exercised the option to renew for an additional five-year period to continue purchasing and delivering solid waste containers, parts, and services necessary for residential and commercial solid waste collection.

To ensure all solid waste containers are in serviceable condition, maximize the safety of refuse operators, and support an account audit, RPC is currently conducting a field inspection of all City of Long Beach (City) serviced refuse accounts to identify old and/or damaged solid waste containers for replacement, install radio frequency identification (RFID) tags, and compile an asset inventory for each account serviced.

Additional authority is necessary to repair and replace the solid waste containers identified during the field audit and as needed to adhere to the uniform solid waste container colors as required by Senate Bill (SB) 1383 (Chapter 395, Statutes of 2016). The increased contract amount is also necessary to procure new green solid waste containers for the residential organics program and provide access to the asset management software which will improve cart and account management, minimize theft, and optimize collection services.

Additionally, while in 2017, the City Council authorized the City Manager to extend the contract term through October 16, 2027, in accordance with the terms and conditions afforded to Miami-

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Dade County, Florida, the contract term will be amended by the City to expire on October 31, 2026.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Vanessa S. Ibarra on January 4, 2023, Acting Labor Compliance Officer Tommy Ryan on December 22, 2023, and by Budget Management Officer Nader Kaamouh on January 5, 2024.

### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to amend Contract No. 34856 is requested on January 23, 2024, to ensure there is no interruption to services.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The requested action increases the contract authority by a one-time amount of \$19,359,600 for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$23,859,600. The cost for refuse and recycling containers is budgeted in the Refuse and Recycling Fund Group in the Public Works Department. The requested contract increase will allow for purchasing of containers throughout the implementation of the residential organics collection program. Additional cost that is not currently budgeted will only proceed at such time as appropriations have been approved by the City Council. The Public Works Department is working on a cost of service study to evaluate cost recovery for the containers and other factors needed in anticipation of the residential organics collection program, which is planned to be implemented FY 25. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. The increase of authority will provide continued support to our local economy by allowing the City to retain the ability to service current and future single-family residential, multi-family residential, and commercial business solid waste accounts. The amendment of this contract will provide continued support to our local economy by assisting in the preservation of employment for three full-time employees residing in Long Beach.

### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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Public Works

APPROVED:



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THOMAS B. MODICA  
CITY MANAGER