

March 11, 2025

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. 35545 with Great Scott Tree Service, Inc., of Stanton, CA, for providing as-needed tree trimming and removal services, to extend the term of the contract to March 31, 2026. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to amend Contract No. 35545 with Great Scott Tree Service, Inc. (Great Scott) to extend the period of the contract for one year, to continue providing tree trimming, removal, planting, inventory, and stump grinding services for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM).

At its meeting on April 21, 2020, the City Council awarded a contract to Great Scott as part of its adoption of RFP PR19-126 for tree trimming and removal services for a period of two years, with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, in an annual amount of \$970,025, inclusive of a 15 percent contingency. At its meeting on June 6, 2023, the City Council approved an amendment to increase the annual contract amount to \$3,211,410, inclusive of the contingency. The five-year agreement with Great Scott expires on March 31, 2025. PRM is drafting a formal Request for Proposal to solicit new proposals for tree maintenance services to establish a new long-term contract. This request will serve as a one-year extension preventing any gap in services and allowing continued grid tree trimming and tree-related services to be deployed in parks and beaches.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani and Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on February 18, 2025, and by Administrative Analyst Tommy Ryan on February 11, 2025.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to amend Contract No. 35545 is requested on March 11, 2025, to ensure the contract is in place expeditiously.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact of this contract amendment. The total annual amount of the contract will not exceed \$3,211,410. Of this amount, \$918,340 is budgeted in the General Fund Group, Tidelands Operating Fund Group, and Tidelands Area Fund Group in the Parks, Recreation and

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Marine Department. The remaining \$2,293,070 is currently unbudgeted and will only be authorized as a one-time or as funding sources are identified. Any work not currently budgeted will only proceed once the appropriation has been approved by the City Council. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. The continuation of this contract will provide continued support to our local economy by assisting in the preservation of one employee residing in Long Beach.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



Brent Dennis
Director
Parks, Recreation and Marine

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER