

# Agenda Report

August 8, 2016

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Department of Public Works

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH REHRIG PACIFIC COMPANY FOR PURCHASE OF 192 THREE-CUBIC YARD FRONT LOAD PLASTIC REFUSE DUMPSTERS IN AN AMOUNT **NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000 FOR ONE YEAR** 

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- 2. Authorize the issuance of a purchase order contract in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 without competitive bidding pursuant to the City Charter Section, 1002(C), contracts for labor, materials, supplies, or services available from only one vendor, to Rehrig Pacific Company; and
- 3. Grant the proposed purchase order contract an exemption from the competitive selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Street Maintenance and Integrated Waste Management Division (SMIWM) of the Public Works Department has purchased commercial three cubic yard front load plastic dumpsters exclusively from Rehrig Pacific Company since it discontinued using metal dumpsters in 2003. Based in Los Angeles California, Rehrig Pacific Company is the sole west coast manufacturer of a rotationally molded one piece side pocket three cubic yard bin with a load capacity rating of 2,000 lbs. While other manufactures offer rotationally molded three cubic yard bins, they are either two or three piece bins with

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bolted on side pockets or are only load capacity rated at 1,500 lbs.. Only one other United States based manufacture based in Litchfield, Connecticut manufactures a one piece side pocket bin and their cost per unit is \$243.00 more than Rehriq Pacific Company's bin and only has a load capacity rating of 1.500 lbs. Based on the significant financial savings with regard to freight cost and the durability and strength of Rehrig Pacific Company's molded bottom beams and integrally molded plastic side fork pockets and ribs with additional pocket sleeves, it is in the best interest of the City to continue to purchase the highest load capacity rated and best value bin in the refuse industry. The 2,000 load capacity rated bins come complete with four swivel casters per bin, installed locking bars to prevent scavenging, two drain plugs, mold on graphics and dual walled polyethylene lids in accordance with City of Pasadena specifications. The Cities of Glendale, San Bernardino, Santa Cruz and Manteca have recently purchased Rehrig Pacific Company's plastic bins to replace the aging stock of their metal bins. As a part of a long term bin replacement program, the City has purchased 96 bins at a cost of \$74,000 from Rehrig Pacific Company annually. This year staff is requesting to purchase 192 bins in order to replace the remaining aging metal bins that are still in service, provide the Rose Bowl with all new bins for the additional service level requests we receive for their large events and to have a sufficient number of new bins in stock for the customers that have become dissatisfied with other Franchise Haulers and want to change to the City's Commercial bin service.

#### **COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

The proposed action is consistent with the City Council's Strategic Plan Goals to maintain fiscal responsibility and stability and to increase conservation and sustainability.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

This action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment.

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# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The cost of this action is \$150,000. Funding will be addressed by the utilization of existing budgeted appropriations in the Public Works Department, Street Maintenance and Integrated Waste Management operating budget (account 810100-40622019).

Respectfully submitted,

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