

County of Santa Clara
Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency



90187

DATE: March 20, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jo Zientek, Director

SUBJECT: Amendments to Agreements with CalTrans and San Jose Conservations Corps

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Consider recommendations relating to the Debris Removal Program with CalTrans and San Jose Conservation Corps.

Possible action:

- a. Approve First Amendment to Agreement with CalTrans relating to providing litter, weed abatement, and related services increasing the maximum contract amount by \$237,096 from \$790,320 to \$1,027,416, with no change to the term of the agreement, that has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form and legality.
- b. Approve Second Amendment to Agreement with San Jose Conservation Corps relating to providing roadside maintenance of CalTrans facilities increasing the maximum contract amount by \$237,096 from \$790,320 to \$1,027,416, with no change to the term of the agreement, that has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form and legality.
- c. Approve Request for Appropriation Modification No. 166 - \$237,096 increasing revenue and expenditures in the Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency budget, relating to the Clean Water Program. (4/5 Roll Call Vote)

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is a net zero impact to the General Fund as a result of this action. The County will receive revenue from CalTrans, and this revenue will pay for the services in the San Jose Conservation Corps (SJCC) Agreement. The County will receive an administrative fee of \$20,154 from CalTrans for administering this program. This revenue and expenditure will be recognized in the Clean Water Program.

CONTRACT HISTORY

The Agreements with CalTrans and SJCC, in the amount of \$790,320, were approved by the Board of Supervisors in December 2016. Services began in January 2017.

SJCC provides work crews and equipment to pick up litter, clear debris, weeds and vegetation, and replant vegetation along CalTrans rights-of-way at various locations within the County. CalTrans determines the clean-up locations, and the County serves as an intermediary agency between CalTrans and SJCC to fund SJCC work. Since implementing the Agreement, CalTrans and SJCC have removed and disposed of approximately 202 cubic yards of trash and 1,979 cubic yards of green debris.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Due to resources needed for litter cleanups and increased level of service, the original funding is projected to be exhausted by the end of March 2018. CalTrans has since received additional State funding to augment this program.

CalTrans and SJCC request that the County continue to serve as the intermediary and administer the contract between CalTrans and SJCC for litter removal and vegetation management within the Caltrans right-of-way.

Amending the current Agreements will allow the County to continue contracting with SJCC to perform litter removal and related work in the CalTrans rights-of-way under a service schedule provided by CalTrans. The recommended Amendments would allow SJCC to perform up to \$1,007,271 of work for CalTrans (maximum contract limit minus County administrative fee) for an additional five months.

CHILD IMPACT

The recommended action will have a positive impact on the **Every Child Successful in Life Implication**. SJCC is involved in programs which increase **High School Graduation Rates** and help **Youth Feel Valued by the Community**.

SENIOR IMPACT

The recommended action results in a healthy and cleaner environment for seniors based on the direct removal of litter on state highways throughout the County and preventing litter from entering local waterways through stormwater runoff.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Removal of litter including plastic debris will advance sustainability efforts by eliminating a source of stormwater pollution throughout the County.

BACKGROUND

CalTrans owns and operates public roadways within the County of Santa Clara and maintains roadway infrastructure, drainage facilities and vegetation with the CalTrans rights-of-way. Litter removal is performed during vegetation maintenance and through volunteer programs such as Adopt-a-Highway.

SJCC is a 501(c) 3 charitable organization that provides job skill training and education to local youth and young adults.

The County does not directly perform debris removal services under either Agreement.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Failure to approve the amendments to the Agreements will result in a missed opportunity to facilitate the removal of litter from state roadways within the County.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Clerk of the Board shall obtain signatures on two original Agreements for CalTrans and return them to Vanessa Marcadejas, Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA). CEPA will obtain signatures from CalTrans, and return fully executed original Agreement to the Clerk of the Board. Clerk of the Board shall obtain signatures on two original SJCC Agreements and return one original to Vanessa Marcadejas, CEPA.

LINKS:

- Linked To: 84194 : 84194

ATTACHMENTS:

- F-85 #166 FY18 (PDF)
- County CalTrans Executed Agreement FY17 (PDF)
- County SJCC Executed Agreement FY17 (PDF)
- County SJCC Amendment_FY18 (PDF)
- Senator Beall Letter of Support (PDF)
- County CalTrans Amendment_FY18 (PDF)