



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

May 28, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront

Subject: Contract: Pyro Spectaculars North, Inc. for fireworks for the Fourth of July and Winter on the Waterfront Special Events

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute a contract with Pyro Spectaculars North, Inc. in the amount of \$82,500 for fireworks for the Fourth of July and Winter on the Waterfront special events in 2019, with an option for events in 2020 depending on the availability of funds.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The total not-to-exceed cost for fireworks displays over the next two years is \$82,500. Funding for the first year costs (\$41,000) is available in the FY 2019 budget, Marina Fund (608) and the General Fund (011). The second year costs (\$41,500) are included as an option, and will be exercised depending on funding availability and appropriated in the annual appropriations ordinance in FY 2020.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

On April 5, 2019, the City published a Request for Proposals (RFP) for fireworks displays at the Berkeley Waterfront (Specification number 19-113311). No responses were received. As a result, staff contacted the previous vendor for this service, Pyro Spectaculars North, Inc., and negotiated an appropriate contract and scope of services to provide fireworks for the Fourth of July and Winter on the Waterfront events at the Berkeley Waterfront in 2019, with an option for events in 2020 depending on the availability of funds.

BACKGROUND

For many years, the Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Department has contracted with a vendor for the fireworks show for the Fourth of July Celebration at the Berkeley Waterfront. In the past two years, the Department has also had a fireworks show at a new event called Winter on the Waterfront. These events are free to the general public and are well attended.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no environmental impacts associated with this contract.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The City has contracted with Pyro Spectacular, Inc. for fireworks shows at the Berkeley Waterfront for many years. The contractor consistently provides quality shows that are safe and cost effective.

CONTACT PERSON

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Stephen Bogner, Waterfront Supervisor, 981-6744

Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT: PYRO SPECTACULARS NORTH, INC. FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY AND WINTER ON THE WATERFRONT SPECIAL EVENTS IN 2019, WITH AN OPTION FOR EVENTS IN 2020 DEPENDING ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, for many years, the Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Department has contracted with a vendor for the fireworks show for the Fourth of July Celebration at the Berkeley Waterfront. In the past two years, the Department has also had a fireworks show at a new event called Winter on the Waterfront. These events are free to the general public and are well attended; and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2019, the City published a Request for Proposals (RFP) for fireworks displays at the Berkeley Waterfront (Specification number 19-113311). No responses were received. As a result, staff contacted the previous vendor for this service, Pyro Spectaculars North, Inc., and negotiated an appropriate contract and scope of services to provide fireworks for the Fourth of July and Winter on the Waterfront events at the Berkeley Waterfront in 2019, with an option for events in 2020 depending on the availability of funds; and

WHEREAS, the total not-to-exceed cost for fireworks displays over the next two years is \$82,500. Funding for the first year costs (\$41,000) is available in the FY19 budget, Marina Fund (608) and the General Fund (011). The second year costs (\$41,500) are included as an option, and will be exercised depending on funding availability and will be appropriated in the annual appropriations ordinance in FY20.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized to execute a contract and any amendments with Pyro Spectacular, Inc. in the amount of \$82,500 for fireworks for the Fourth of July and Winter on the Waterfront special events in 2019, with an option for events in 2020 depending on the availability of funds. A record signature copy of said contract will be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

