

Attachment 3

RESOLUTION 24-XXX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH L.A. CHRISTMAS LIGHT INSTALLERS TO INSTALL YEAR-ROUND DECORATIVE LIGHTING IN CITY PARK

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2023, the City unveiled new City Park holiday lighting in conjunction with the traditional Downtown Lighting Ceremony and that lighting created a festive, community-oriented atmosphere that brought patrons downtown; and

WHEREAS, City Council has expressed a desire to bring year-round lighting to City Park; and

WHEREAS, L.A. Christmas Light Installers, designers of the new holiday lights, have proposed year-round lighting that creates an aesthetically pleasing and vibrant public space that fosters a sense of community; and

WHEREAS, the lighting proposal includes lighting 21 City Park trees year-round, emphasizes the large heritage oaks, is easily maintained and removable when holiday lights are installed (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the cost for design, materials and installation of the year-round lights is \$115,964.85.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. All of the above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The City Council hereby finds that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") because there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. (14 Cal. Code Regs., § 15061(b)(3).) The City Council further finds that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA under the Class 1 exemption, because it entails a minor alteration to existing park facilities. (14 Cal. Code Regs., § 15301.)

Section 3. L.A. Christmas Light Installers was selected for the City's holiday light installation in a formal Request for Proposal process, and now has unique qualifications to install the one-time year-round lighting, which is more advantageous for the City. Specifically, the City Council finds that the City is best served by a particular vendor under Section 5.0 of the City's Purchasing Policy, Sole Source Vendors, because L.A. Christmas Light Installers has unique knowledge as to the peculiarities of the City Park electrical service, tree restrictions and installation requirements. In addition, the year-round lights would have to be removed and reinstalled for the holiday light installation, making the services of another lighting contractor for the year-round lights unrealistic and burdensome on the City.

Section 4. The City Council hereby approves an agreement with L.A. Christmas Light Installers in the amount of \$115,964.85 and authorizes the City Manager to execute the agreement, subject to any minor, technical, or non-substantive changes as approved by the City Manager and City Attorney.

Section 5. Funds for the City Park year-round lighting are to be allocated from General Fund Reserves.

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APPROVED this 5th day of March, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

John R. Hamon, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Boyer, City Clerk