

**Title: 101608 TIF #15 BIOGARDNER**

**Subject:** Approve award and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with BIOGARDNER, LLC, Austin, TX for landscape services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$180,522, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$60,174 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$361,044

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Building Services Department. Funding in the amount of \$10,174 is available in the Tax Increment Financing Fund for Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone #15.

Funding for the remaining twenty months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Agenda Category:** Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services

**For More Information:** Fred Evins, EGRSO, 974-7131, Tina Holmes, Purchasing, 974-2822

**Prior Council Action:** Recommend adoption of the Project and Financing Plan on 10/12/2000, plan was subsequently approved by the City Council.

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In August 1999, the City Council created Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone #15 (TIF#15) for the purpose of maintaining the plazas, streetscapes and other public improvements installed on Blocks 2 and 4 (CSC/Silicon Labs), Block 3 (City Hall), and Block 21 (Stratus).

This agreement will provide landscaping services at both City Hall and Municipal Building. Services provided will be native landscape installation and maintenance. Installation services will include remediation, to include any necessary replanting, and a one-time cleanup of the City Hall planting beds. The remediation and cleanup services will rely on the pre-existing native landscape plan for City Hall. Maintenance will include the monthly service of all landscaping areas at both City Hall and Municipal Building. Allowances have been included for irrigation system repairs, arborist work, and the replacement of diseased or stressed plants.

MBE/WBE solicited 38/12 MBE/WBE bid 2/1

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a Adequate competition
- b Fifty notices were sent, including 38 MBEs and 12 WBEs. Seven bids were received including 2 MBEs and 1 WBE.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a Best evaluated bid received
- b The Purchasing Office concurs with Building Services' recommended award
- c Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet