


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	25-449	Meeting:	December 8, 2025
	Agenda Item:	34	Roll Call:	<input type="text"/>
	Submitted by:	Jonathan A. Gano, P.E., Public Works Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving contract with TreesForever for the Growing Futures Program, in the amount of \$200,000.

SYNOPSIS:

To continue partnership with TreesForever and the Growing Futures Program, the new contract term will run for a period of five years, allowing updates on a yearly basis if needed, and terminates on November 30, 2030.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$200,000.00

Funding Source: MS007 C051PW – Adopted FY26 CIP, pg 3.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

From the inception of the Growing Futures program in 2019, TreesForever has planted 9,752 trees, while employing 300 students, engaging 3,341 volunteers who provided 9,100 volunteer hours. Each year 60 teenage students will be employed, planting 1000-1500 trees through the spring and fall planting season. This contribution has had a lasting impact on our urban canopy, and the residents living within.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: January 14, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-060](#)

Action: [Exception](#) to procurement ordinance competitive bid process for good cause and approving an agreement with Trees Forever, Inc. for planting and watering of trees. ([Council Communication No. 19-023](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: May 19, 2025

Roll Call Number: [25-0763](#)

Action: [Third](#) Amendment to agreement for tree planting services with Trees Forever, Inc. and authorizing City Manager to execute. Moved by Coleman to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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