

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR TIRE-DERIVED PRODUCT GRANT

SOURCE: PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

COMMENT: The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) administers a competitive grant program to provide opportunities to divert tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content products. Staff has prepared a Tire-Derived Product grant application for the 2014-15 grant cycle. The application proposes to utilize CalRecycle Tire-Derived Product Grant funding to replace playground surfacing at Zalud Park, Veterans Park, and both playgrounds at Murry Park.

The project would consist of removing the engineered wood fiber surfacing and replacing it with rubber mulch surfacing. The project plan is to use 448,000 pounds of rubber mulch which would divert 37,333 passenger tires from landfills. The replaced engineered wood fiber would be recycled and used at other park playgrounds.

Rubber mulch offers the best impact absorbing properties of all loose fill surfaces. One advantage of using rubber over wood products is that rubber nuggets are heavier and less likely to blow away. Rubber mulch is softer to the touch and splinter-free. It is also better at retaining its cushioning abilities after time and exposure to rain. Additionally, they do not bio-degrade like wood products. Lastly, it offers unique color choices.

\$823,747 is the amount of funding available for fiscal year 2014/15. The application is for \$149,868. There is no match requirement for this grant. The notification of the grant award will take place in February 2015. Should the grant be awarded, the project would be completed by October 2015.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Adopt a Resolution approving the application for the Tire-Derived Product Grant; and
2. Authorize the Parks and Leisure Services Director to negotiate the purchase of rubber mulch surfacing at an amount not to exceed \$149,868, the amount of the grant award.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution

DJ Director AMB Appropriated/Funded

J City Manager

ITEM NO.: 6

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE
AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION FOR ALL CALRECYCLE GRANTS
FOR WHICH THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE IS ELIGIBLE

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code sections 40000, et seq., authorize the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to administer various grant programs (grants) in furtherance of the State of California's (state) efforts to reduce, recycle and reuse solid waste generated in the state thereby preserving landfill capacity and protecting public health and safety and the environment; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this authority, CalRecycle is required to establish procedures governing the application, awarding, and management of the grants; and

WHEREAS, CalRecycle grant application procedures require, among other things, an applicant's governing body to declare by resolution certain authorizations related to the administration of CalRecycle grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Porterville authorizes the submittal of application(s) to CalRecycle for Resurfacing of Playgrounds at Murry, Zalud and Veterans Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parks and Leisure Services Director, or his/her designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute in the name of the City of Porterville all grant documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments and requests for payment necessary to secure grant funds and implement the approved grant project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these authorizations are effective for December 4, 2014 through December 4, 2019.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of December, 2014.

Milt Stowe, Mayor

ATTEST:

John D. Lollis, City Clerk

By: Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk