



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
February 12, 2008

To: PK Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: PK Phil Kamlarz, City Manager

Submitted by: Claudette Ford, Director, Public Works

Subject: Contract No. 6833 Amendment: Urban Ore for Recycling Services

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 6833 with Urban Ore for salvage of reusable items at the City's transfer station, increasing the amount by \$10,000 for a total amount NTE \$ 67,500 for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2008

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The \$10,000 is available in the Refuse Fund account 820-5607-432-3038. The City pays Urban Ore \$28.84 per ton. The estimated total cost for FY 2008 will be \$25,092. This expenditure is balanced by savings of \$60/ton in trucking and disposal costs for each ton not sent to landfill.

CMS Number DEWGB.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The funding allocation for Urban Ore's current contract, which expires June 30, 2008, will be exhausted after the February 2008 invoice. This amendment will allocate additional contract funds and allow salvage to continue at the transfer station until new contracts are prepared for all recycling services for FY 2009.

BACKGROUND

On January 18, 2000, Council passed Resolution No. 60,387-N.S. authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract (#5106) with Urban Ore in the amount of \$112,000 for a term of March 1, 2000 to June 30, 2005. On May 10, 2005 by Resolution No. 62,903-N.S., Council approved an amendment to extend the contract term to June 20, 2007, at a cost not to exceed \$28,750 per year or \$57,500 for the two years. The new contract was assigned number 6833. In May 2007 the City Manager extended the term to June 30, 2008. The current funding was expected to last until a new contract was prepared, but all new recycling contracts have been delayed until the refuse rate study is completed.

During FY 2007, Urban Ore removed approximately 740 tons of reusable materials that would otherwise have gone to the landfill. This amendment anticipates more tons will be salvaged in FY 2008, due to Urban Ore adding more sorting workers at the transfer station.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This amendment allows routine salvage of reusable items to continue until new contracts are enacted for FY 2009. This activity reduces the City's cost because the cost to salvage is much less than the cost of trucking the same material to landfill.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None. Discontinuing the contract would mean a loss of environmental and financial benefits until a new contract could be prepared.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:
1: Resolution

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

CONTRACT No. 6833 AMENDMENT: URBAN ORE FOR RECYCLING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City has a contract with Urban Ore to salvage reusable and recyclable materials at the City's transfer station; and

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2000, Council passed Resolution No. 60,387-N.S. authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract (#5106) with Urban Ore in the amount of \$112,000 for a term of March 1, 2000 to June 30, 2005; and on May 10, 2005 by Resolution No. 62,903-N.S., Council approved an amendment to extend the contract term to June 20, 2007, at a cost not to exceed \$28,750 per year or \$57,500 for the two years; and

WHEREAS, the services performed by contractor are an essential part of the City's waste reduction efforts and the contract amount is expected run out after February 2008; and

WHEREAS, the current funding was expected to last until a new contract was prepared, but all new recycling contracts have been delayed until the refuse rate study is completed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary therefore to fund the contract through its new termination date of June 30, 2008 approved by the City Manager in May 2007; and

WHEREAS, \$10,000 is available in FY 2008 in the Refuse Fund (budget code 820-5608-432-3038); CMS number is DEWGB.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to Contract No. 6833 with Urban Ore Community Conservation Center to increase the amount by \$10,000 for a total amount NTE \$ 67,500 for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2008.

