

**CITY OF SAN MATEO
RESOLUTION NO. ____ (2020)**

**AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO LORAL LANDSCAPING, INC. FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF
PUBLIC ISLANDS, MEDIANS AND RIGHT OF WAYS
(\$225,000)**

WHEREAS, an agreement with Loral Landscaping, Inc. for the maintenance of islands, medians and right-of ways was awarded in June 2016 and as authorized in the original contract, both parties agreed to extend the contract through June 2020; and

WHEREAS, COVID 19 and the Shelter in Place orders made it impossible for the City to circulate and for prospective bidders to fully respond to an updated request for proposal (RFP) that would have been put out to bid in March 2020; and

WHEREAS, Loral Landscaping, Inc. has performed to the City's satisfaction over the past four years, is familiar with our maintenance practices and standards and has agreed to continue to perform those services until June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Municipal Code section 3.60.050 (b) agreements may be awarded without competitive bids if calling for bids would be impracticable, unavailing or impossible and the City Council sets forth findings designating the reasons; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends approval of the agreement with Loral Landscaping Inc. (current contractor providing service) for Landscape Maintenance Services for: Medians, Islands, and Right of Ways;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY FINDS and RESOLVES that:

1. In accordance with Municipal Code section 3.60.050 (b), calling for bids would be impracticable because of the following:
 - a. The Shelter in Place (SIP) mandate for all of San Mateo County during the initial RFP stages
 - b. The suspension of private landscaping services during a portion of SIP
 - c. The continued COVID-19 restrictions preventing a proper RFP process and selection of contractor
2. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Public Resources Code Section 21065 entering into a landscape maintenance service agreement with Loral Landscaping Inc. will not cause a physical change to the environment.
3. The agreement with Loral Landscaping Inc., for the Landscape Maintenance Services for: Medians, Islands, and Right of Ways, in the amount of \$225,000 is approved.

4. The Director of Parks and Recreation is authorized to execute the agreement in substantially the form submitted, on behalf of the City