



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 6.4

DATE: February 23, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Carl Brown, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Resolution awarding and authorizing the execution of an agreement to/with TDRA Industries Inc. D/B/A Vision Recycling for SB 1383-compliant mulch procurement, transportation, delivery, and application services in an amount not-to-exceed \$410,000 for an approximately four-year term.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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DECISION TYPE

Administrative

SUMMARY

In September 2016, Governor Brown signed into law Senate Bill 1383, the Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Act of 2016 ("SB 1383"), which established aggressive targets to achieve a reduction in the statewide disposal of organic waste.

Beginning on January 1, 2022 and pursuant to SB 1383, cities and counties are required to procure a minimum amount of products made from recycled organic waste. Based on the formula from the SB 1383 regulations, the City of Livermore is required to procure 2,463 tons (7,389 cubic yards) of mulch annually through the end of 2029.

On September 11, 2025, the City issued a Request for Proposals for the purchase and application of SB 1383-compliant mulch at the open space property near the Livermore Municipal Airport. Five proposals were received; one was determined to be non-responsive. Of the responsive proposals, TDRA Industries Inc. d/b/a Vision Recycling offered the best price per cubic yard and was selected as the lowest bidder.

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DISCUSSION

In September 2016, Governor Brown signed into law Senate Bill 1383, the Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Act of 2016 (SB 1383), which established aggressive targets to achieve a reduction in the statewide disposal of organic waste beginning in 2022. SB 1383 directs the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to divert 75% of organics from landfill by 2025.

According to SB 1383, cities and counties are required to procure a determined amount of products made from recycled organic waste each year beginning on January 1, 2022. Eligible products are compost, mulch, electricity from biomass conversion, and Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) derived from landfill-diverted materials processed in California. The City is exploring different options to purchase a variety of recycled organic materials; in this case, mulch is the most appropriate material to apply near the Livermore Municipal Airport.

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Table 1

Vendor	Exceptions to Agreement?	Not-to-exceed Amount	Price Per CY
Oliveira Enterprises, Inc.	None	\$1,000,000.00	Year 1: \$22.05 per CY. Prices in subsequent years will reflect an annual inflation rate of 3.5%.
TDRA Industries Inc. d/b/a Vision Recycling	None	\$406,365.00	Year 1: \$10.25 per CY. Prices in subsequent years will increase by \$1.00 each year.
Air Applied Mulch	None	\$1,000,000.00	Year 1: \$21.49 per CY. This will be a fixed price through end of contract.

Zero Footprint	None. Did not provide a contract but stated in proposal that they take no exceptions.	Option 1: \$1,541,154.26 Option 2: \$1,202,190.56	Option 1: Estimated cost per CY (based on bulk density): \$71.80 Option 2: Estimated cost per CY (based on bulk density): \$96.57. Option 2 is composted mulch which qualifies as compost under SB 1383. We are not considering proposals for compost.
Jet Mulch	Unclear.	Not provided.	Year 1: \$49.95 per CY. Unclear if subsequent years will change.

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FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

The Third Amended and Restated Agreement with Livermore Sanitation, Inc. for Solid Waste, Recyclable Materials, and Compostable Materials Services included an SB 1383 fee that is collected through the rates to offset the City's cost to implement SB 1383 requirements including procuring mulch through the proposed contract. If the SB 1383 fee ends prior to the conclusion of the contract, the City reserves the right to cancel the contract and terminate the mulch delivery and application.

COMMUNITY PILLAR

3: Environmental Stewardship

GOAL

2: Manage the City's solid waste contract and develop and implement the City's recycling program ensuring compliance with state and local regulations

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit A - Vision Recycling Agreement

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