



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 7.M.
For Meeting of: February 18, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Resolution awarding of RFP 12412P and authorizing an agreement with Country Garden Nursery LLC., for the Downtown Flower Program

SUBMITTED BY: Susan Knotts, Buyer II
*Rudy Silva, Purchasing Manager

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

On December 17, 2024, the City of Yakima along with the Downtown Yakima Business Improvement District solicited RFP 12412P Downtown Flower Baskets to hire a Vendor to provide the Downtown Core and Business District with approximately 270-300 hanging baskets and bedding plants. The RFP was advertised in the Yakima Herald Republic on December 17th and 19th. A Notice to Proposers was also sent out nationally through Public Purchse.com and by email to all know local vendors with a proposal due date of January 16, 2025, at 2:00 PM. Proposals were then publicly opened in the City of Yakima Council Chambers.

Two Proposals were received from the following companies:
Best Choice Inc. dba; Evergreen Services, Sunnyside WA.
County Garden Nursery, LLC, McMinnville OR.

Purchasing reviewed the proposals for responsiveness to the RFP Specifications making sure the Proposals met all mandatory requirements. The proposal received from Best Choice was deemed non-responsive due to their response missing required components and documents both material and non-material in nature therefore not meeting mandatory requirements set forth in the specification making Country Garden Nursery LLC, the only responsive proposal received. Purchasing and the Downtown Yakima Business Improvement District reviewed Country Garden Nursery's Proposal and determined it meets the needs of the city and therefore recommends Award to County Garden Nursery, LLC.

ITEM BUDGETED: Yes

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: An Engaged Yakima

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution.

ATTACHMENTS:

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