

September 17, 2002

Honorable Mayor and Members of
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
September 24, 2002

**PURCHASE OF PUBLIC TRASH AND RECYCLE CONTAINERS FOR
PLACEMENT ON STREETS, PARKS, GREENBELT AND OTHER PUBLIC
AREAS AS A SOLE SOURCE ITEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$180,996 AND
APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE AB939 FUND.**

Recommendation:

1. That the City Council approve the purchase of 400 trash and recycle containers from Quick Crete Products Corp. as a sole source vendor in the amount of \$180,996;
2. That the City Council appropriate \$180,996 from the AB939 Fund, which has been accumulated for this purpose;
3. Determine whether the cans are to be painted or left natural and, if painted, approve an additional appropriation of \$10,825; and,
4. That the City Council direct the City Manager to execute the purchase order with Quick Crete Products Corp.

Background:

The replacement of the existing public trash containers and the addition of the matching recycle containers is part of the overall effort to increase awareness of recycling and to improve the appearance of the City. The existing round trash containers were purchased over 20 years ago and are located throughout the city for the convenience of the public. The existing containers are plain with no identifying logo or lettering. The proposed purchase of the new containers will require a distinctive mold to be made that will have the lettering "Hermosa Beach" on the sides of the square containers. A sample of the container is located near the Bard Street entrance to City Hall. The lettering can either be painted (additional cost of \$25 per container, plus tax) or left natural. Each container will also have a fiberglass collar with lettering that designates whether the can is for "trash" or "recycle". The "trash" collar will be black with white lettering and the "recycle" collar will be blue with white lettering.

The total number of containers to be purchased will be 400. This allows for 200 locations throughout the City. The cost per container is \$452.49 for a total of \$180,996 (includes tax). This would be for containers with the lettering left "natural". If you would like the lettering painted, the cost would increase to \$479.55 per container for a total of \$191,820 (includes tax). Funding for this purchase will be from the AB939 Fund. These funds have been accumulated over the last several years for this purpose as well as others that relate to solid waste collection and recycling.

The manufacturer will provide delivery and placement of the containers as part of the price indicated above. It is expected that the containers will be delivered and placed over a two to three week period beginning December of this year.

It is also possible to have bus benches and newspaper racks made that will match the containers.

Staff has checked with a number of other communities and we have found that they are very satisfied with the products that they purchased from Quick Crete and the service provided in the installation of the containers and any replacements or additional containers needed after the initial purchase. The mold for our containers will be retained so that we can purchase matching containers in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Burrell
City Manager

Noted for fiscal impact:

Viki Copeland