

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of May 24, 2022 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of June 14, 2022

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Amendment to Uniformed Security Guard Service

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing two amendments to the service agreement with Sec-Ops, Inc. for citywide security guard services for an amount not to exceed \$230,114.40, Amendment No. 3 for additional services in an amount not to exceed \$91,980.00 for Solid Waste's J.C. Elliott Transfer Station and Amendment No. 4 for additional services in an amount not to exceed \$138,134.40 for security at Cole Park; ratifying the effective date of Amendment No. 3 to October 25, 2021, with FY 2022 funding from the General Fund, and the effective date of Amendment No. 4 to March 1, 2022; and appropriating \$138,134.40 from the State Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund balance for 24-hour security guard services at Cole Park, including the Cole Park Pier.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of \$138,134.40 from the State Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund balance for 24-hour security service for Cole Park Pier. Additionally, ratifying services at the J.C. Elliott Transfer Station. These services are necessary to maintain optimal security presence at both locations.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The grand opening of the Cole Park Pier occurred on December 17, 2021. Cole Park Pier and Plaza have shown to be a very popular destination for Corpus Christi residents and outside visitors. Prior to the opening, a 3-month contract with Sec-Ops, Inc was established to promote security and safety in this new amenity for the City and the Park. The contract included one 24/7 security guard to monitor foot traffic, deter vandalism, and enforce City ordinances. A few days after the grand opening of Cole Park Pier and Plaza, the amenity was vandalized. It was then determined that the size of the park needed to have 2 security guards to safeguard the pier and plaza. As such, a second guard was added.

With the recent ordinance amendment which allows for fishing on Cole Park Pier between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., and with the upcoming spring and summer seasons, the expectation is for the pier to continue experiencing increased traffic from locals and tourists. To continue to safeguard the pier and plaza, Parks and Recreation is requesting approval to extend security service through September 30, 2022, to ensure community safety. If approved, Procurement will amend its current contract with Sec-Ops to add additional hours for this service.

As another means to safeguard the plaza and pier, Parks and Recreation Department is working with the Corpus Christi Police Department on the installation of new cameras to monitor the area. Recently, these cameras were crucial to the safeguarding of the pier as CCPD was able to see and record an individual who jumped over the rail and into the water thereby proving to be an asset to further deter these types of illegal activities.

Month	Weeks	Hours Per Guard	Hours Per Month			
March	4 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,056			
April	5 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,320			
May	5 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,320			
June	4 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,056			
July	4 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,056			
August	4 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,056			
September	5 Weeks	264 hrs. per week for 2 Guards	1,320			
31 Weeks x 264 hours per week for two guards = 8,184 hours						

Additionally, City Staff intended to enter into Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement on October 25, 2021, for additional security guard services at J.C. Elliott Landfill. The Solid Waste Department experienced vandalism at the J.C. Elliott Landfill. The decision was made by upper management to secure the property during the hours the landfill is closed to the public. Armed guard services were incorporated as-needed hours in year three of the agreement. An armed guard will provide a presence and perform patrol services of the entire landfill

property along the fence line and throughout the property every hour while on duty. The guard is on duty Monday-Saturday 72 hours and Sunday 24 hours for a total of 96 hours per week.

DESCRIPTION	Annual QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
J.C. Elliott Landfill – Estimated hours of security service required for 12 months				Increase Cost
J.C. Elliott Landfill Armed Guard Mon-Sat 7pm – 7am	3624	HRS	\$18.25	\$66,138.00
J.C. Elliott Landfill Armed Guard Sun 7am to Monday 7am	1248	HRS	\$18.25	\$22,776.00
J.C. Elliott Landfill Armed Guard Overtime (Holidays)	120	HRS	\$25.55	\$3,066.00
Total for 12 months				\$91,980.00

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative would be to deny the request. Without approval, Parks and Recreation would have to perform the service using in-house park enforcement officers. However, the Pier and Plaza would only be safeguarded from 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM, which would leave nine hours with no security presence. This alternative would also reduce the patrol time for other Bayshore parks. Additionally, the landfill would not be able to maintain optimal security presence for the security and safety of City property during non-operational hours.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for the State Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund is \$138,134.40 for costs associated with 24-hour security service for Cole Park Pier and \$91,980.00 from the General Fund for security service at the J.C. Elliott Transfer Station.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 1032 State Hotel Occupancy Tax Organization/Activity: 13840 Bay Beach Park Enforcement

Mission Element: 141 Manage & Maintain Parks and Recreation Facilities

Project # (CIP Only): N/A

Account: 530000 Professional Services

Cost \$138.134.40

Fund: 1020 General Fund

Organization/Activity: 12504 J.C. Elliott Transfer Station
Mission Element: 031 Wase & Brush Collection
Account: 530000 Professional Services

Cost: \$91,980.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing funding for Security Guard Service with Sec-Ops, Inc. as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Price Form Service Agreement Amendment No. 3 Amendment No. 4