

Council Meeting of  
September 25, 2007

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Torrance City Council  
City Hall  
Torrance, California

**Members of the Council:**

**SUBJECT: Public Works - Appropriate funds for purchase of automated curbside refuse and recycling containers. Expenditure: \$33,254.40**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Public Works Director recommends that the City Council:

1. Appropriate \$33,254.40 from the Sanitation Enterprise Fund for the purchase of automated refuse and recycling containers; and
2. Authorize a purchase order with Toter Incorporated of Statesville, North Carolina in the amount of \$33,254.40 for the sole source purchase of 636 Toter automated curbside refuse and recycling containers.

**Funding**

Funding is available in the Sanitation Enterprise Fund.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The Sanitation Division of the Public Works Department is responsible for the distribution of refuse and recycling containers used by the residents of Torrance receiving the City's curbside refuse and recycling collection service.

Periodically these containers must be replaced due to damage, or for new residential units. Due to the Toter brand product's superior durability and ease in maintenance, as well as to maintain a uniform appearance on collection days, the same type and brand of container will be purchased. A total of 636 containers will be purchased in the following amounts:

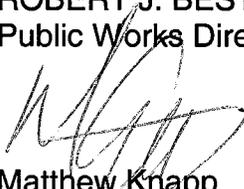
- 240 black, 96-gallon refuse containers
- 312 gray, 96-gallon recycling containers
- 84 black, 64-gallon refuse containers

Staff is requesting 96-gallon recycling containers for the first time to begin providing the option of a larger recycling container for residents, as opposed to the current option of additional recycling containers at no charge. This may help residents with space and storage concerns as the implementation of the green waste program progresses, as well as encourage recycling in general.

This is a sole source purchase, as the container is the patented design of Toter Inc. and distributed only through Recy-Cal Supply Company for our area. The Torrance Municipal Code, (Section 22.3.17.b), (EXCEPTIONS; SOLE-SOURCE PURCHASES) states that "sole source purchases shall mean those purchases where it would be undesirable or impossible for the City to advertise for bids for particular work or for patented items, or experimental or unique services or products, or where competitive purchases would be unavailable or would not prove advantageous for the City."

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. BESTE  
Public Works Director

  
By Matthew Knapp  
Sanitation Services Manager

CONCUR:

  
Robert J. Beste  
Public Works Director

  
LeRoy J. Jackson  
City Manager

Attachment: A) Estimate



September 10, 2007

<b>PREPARED FOR:</b> Matthew Knapp City of Torrance – Solid Waste Department 310-781-6900 – email: mknapp@torrnet.com	<b>SHIP TO:</b> City of Torrance– Solid Waste Department 20500 Madrona Ave. Torrance, CA 90503
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MODEL #	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED
57596	EVR 1 Series, 96 Gallon Automated Cart *Qty - 240 - Color : Black Body, Black Lid with “City of Torrance” lid insert & “No Parking “ body hotstamp *Qty - 312 – Color: Gray body, Gray Lid With Recycling lid insert & lid hotstamp * Snap-On Wheels * 10 year warranty	552	\$48.50	\$26,772.00
57564	EVR 1 Series, 64 Gallon Automated Cart * Color – Black Body, Black Lid with “City of Torrance” lid insert & “No Parking “ body hotstamp * Snap-on wheels * 10 year warranty	84	\$47.00	\$3,948.00
	8.25% TAX			\$2,534.40
	TOTAL			\$33,254.40

<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:</b> Freight: FOB Destination. Freight included in unit pricing Shipment: 4-6 weeks after receipt of purchase order
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This proposal is subject to Toter’s Standard Terms and Conditions. Toter prices do not include state and local taxes, if applicable. Payment terms are Net 30 days after shipment pending credit approval. Delivery is subject to availability at time of order entry.

TOTER INCORPORATED:

ACCEPTED BY:

Residential Sales Specialist

Date: 9-10-07

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