

STAFF REPORT

Date: **October 23, 2024**

To: **Mayor and City Council**

Through: **Jackie Bryant, Interim City Manager**

Subject: **Staff Report (For Possible Action): Authorization to Purchase 188 Bigbelly element single station trash cans for placement in the Business Improvement District joining Massachusetts State Contract FAC113 pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 332.195(1) and the City’s purchasing policy, in an amount not to exceed \$298,614. (General Fund Contingency)**

From: **Travis Truhill, Maintenance and Operations Director**

Department: **Maintenance and Operations**

Summary:

This item seeks authorization for the purchase of 188 Bigbelly Element Single Station trash cans for installation within the Business Improvement District of the Downtown core area. The trash cans will replace 94 existing units and add 94 new units, supporting the City’s ongoing efforts to enhance public spaces and improve trash management in Downtown. The funding for this purchase is included as part of the first quarter budget augmentation. The procurement will be conducted joining Massachusetts State Contract FAC113 in compliance with NRS 332.195(1) and the City’s Purchasing Policy, ensuring competitive pricing and cost-effectiveness.

Consent Review	Yes	No
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?		X
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?		X
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?	X	
Other Considerations		
What percent of the total City budget does this item represent?		

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Infrastructure, Climate Change, and Environmental Sustainability

Previous Council Action:

- **October 23, 2024** – The first quarter budget augmentation is included on the Council agenda, and includes the contingency fund reallocation to support this purchase.

Background:

The Bigbelly Element trash cans are specifically designed for high-use urban environments. Each unit features a fully enclosed disposal interface, keeping waste hidden and inaccessible. With a 50-gallon bin capacity—1.7 times larger than standard trash bins—these units will reduce collection frequency, lower operating costs, and enhance the cleanliness of downtown areas.

Constructed from galvanized steel with recycled plastic panels for durability, the units are weather-resistant and include a foot pedal for hands-free operation, improving accessibility. This addition complements the City’s strategic efforts to enhance public spaces through modern waste management solutions.

Discussion:

The Business Improvement District plays a critical role in promoting tourism, community events, and economic development. The Bigbelly Element bins will expand waste capacity and ensure public spaces within the District remain clean and inviting.

The fully enclosed design eliminates windblown litter, odors, and pest access, providing a cleaner and more aesthetically pleasing environment. These bins, free from electronics or sensors, are low-maintenance and offer versatile options, including open, chute, or hopper disposal interfaces. The procurement through cooperative purchasing agreements will ensure the City secures competitive pricing.

Financial Implications:

The total cost for the purchase is \$298,614, including shipping and handling. The purchase will be funded through contingency funds reallocated as part of the first quarter budget augmentation on today’s agenda. (General Fund Contingency)

Legal Implications:

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council authorize the purchase of 188 Bigbelly Element Single Station trash cans for placement in the Business Improvement District and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve staff recommendation.

Attachments:

Big Belly Trash Cans Quote