



REQUEST FOR
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Request #:
Ord./Res. #:

13604
28168

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1. DATE: July 29, 2013

2. SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER(S) N/A

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3a. REQUESTING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION/PROGRAM
3b. 'DO PASS' FROM
3c. DID THIS ITEM GO BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD?
4a. CONTACT (for questions):
4b. Person Presenting:
4c. Attorney:

5. REQUESTED COUNCIL DATE: August 20, 2013

6. SUMMARY AGENDA TITLE: (A concise sentence, as it will appear on the Council agenda.)

Amend 12.08 of the Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) to authorize the Environmental Services Director to offer and evaluate the use of rebate payments and rate breaks to eligible customers who construct and/or maintain low impact development rain gardens and bio-retention facilities through December 31, 2014.

7. BACKGROUND INFORMATION/GENERAL DISCUSSION: (Why is this request necessary? Are there legal requirements? What are the viable alternatives? Who has been involved in the process?)

This request concerns amendments to TMC Chapter 12.08 that would authorize the Environmental Services Department to conduct a pilot study to evaluate the use of rebate payments and rate breaks to encourage the installation of residential rain gardens and maintenance of City-owned rain gardens and/or bio-retention facilities.

8. LIST ALL MATERIAL AVAILABLE AS BACKUP INFORMATION FOR THE REQUEST AND INDICATE WHERE FILED:

Table with 2 columns: Source Documents/Backup Material, Location of Document. Rows include Proposed Code Changes and City Clerk's Office.

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9. WHICH OF THE CITY'S STRATEGIC GOALS DOES THIS ITEM SUPPORT? (CHECK THE GOAL THAT BEST APPLIES)

- A. A SAFE, CLEAN AND ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITY
- B. A DIVERSE, PRODUCTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY
- C. A HIGH-PERFORMING, OPEN AND ENGAGED GOVERNMENT

10. SUSTAINABILITY: IN WHAT WAYS HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE CITY'S SUSTAINABILITY PRIORITIES?

Environment: How does this decision impact regional and local ecological well-being?

Low impact development features benefit the environment and receiving waters by reducing flow volumes and by removing pollutants from stormwater.

Equity: How does this decision promote meeting basic needs and equitable access to opportunities for all city residents?

N/A

Culture: How does this decision impact cultural (arts, innovation, heritage, and recreation) and quality of life for all citizens?

N/A

Economy: How does this decision impact the local economy? What are the significant financial costs/benefits?

By enhancing the environment and receiving waters in Tacoma, these projects will create a more attractive community for investment and will provide contractors with experience constructing low impact development features.

11. IF THIS CONTRACT IS FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$200,000 OR LESS, EXPLAIN WHY IT NEEDS LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL:

12. FINANCIAL IMPACT: EXPENDITURE REVENUE

- A. NO IMPACT (NO FISCAL NOTE)
- B. YES, OVER \$100,000, Fiscal Note Attached
- C. YES, UNDER \$100,000, (NO FISCAL NOTE)
Provide funding source information below:

FUNDING SOURCE: (Enter amount of funding from each source)

Fund Number & Name:	State \$	City \$	Other \$	Total Amount
ES Surface Water Fund 4301		\$90,000		\$90,000

If an expenditure, is it budgeted? Yes No Where? Cost Center: 521900
Acct #: 5419230