City of Brisbane Agenda Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Public Works/City Engineer via City Manager

SUBJECT: Tree Planting/landscaping at Station 81

DATE: Meeting of June 1, 2009

City Council Goals:

To develop plans and pursue opportunities to protect natural resources. (#8)

To preserve the unique character of Brisbane. (#16)

Purpose:

The proposed re-planting is consistent with the City Council's adopted community values of "environmentally progressive" and "caring" (decisions are propelled by stewardship of the environment).

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed planting plan for Station 81, and authorize a supplemental appropriation of \$4,000 from the General Fund to pay for the cost to purchase and install the trees and shrubs.

Background:

The Council previously approved funds for the removal of trees at Station 81. During the discussion, the Council and community requested a plan for the planting of replacement trees.

Discussion:

The species selected were recommended by a group of citizen stakeholders working with staff from the City Manager's office, the Fire Department and the Department of Public Works. The proposed plan reflects the desire to enhance the native environment while providing a landscape that is low maintenance and requires minimal watering.

Council does have the option to not authorize the expenditure of funds for this purpose at this time; if that decision is selected, then the area around S81 will remain unplanted until funds are available for this work.

Fiscal Impact:

This staff report includes a requested supplemental appropriation of \$4,000 to pay for the planting of the trees and shrubs.

The contract for the work includes the cost to install a temporary aboveground bubbler/drip hose system to ensure plant/tree establishment. No funding has currently been identified for long term maintenance of the trees and shrubs. Routine trimming of the shrubs is expected to be performed by S81 personnel.

Measure of Success

The planting and successful "establishment" of five native trees and 26 native shrubs on the Station 81 parcel.

Attachments:

☐ Station 81 proposed planting plan and p	plant list.
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