



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Authorization to Accept Volunteer Labor and 21 Donated Trees Valued at Approximately \$2,300 from Clean Earth a Harsco Company at the Applegate Park and Zoo on October 19, 2019 for Clean Earth Day Tree Planting Event

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving acceptance of labor and materials valued at approximately \$2,300 for new trees at Applegate Park and Zoo from Clean Earth a Harsco Company for their Clean Earth Day tree planting event on October 19, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion accepting a donation from Clean Earth a Harsco Company for volunteer labor and 21 trees valued at approximately \$2,300 at Applegate Park and Zoo on October 19, 2019 for Clean Earth Day tree planting event.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or,
2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by staff (identify specific findings and/or conditions amended to be addressed in the motion); or,
3. Deny; or,
4. Refer to staff for consideration of specific items (specific items to be addressed in the motion); or,
5. Continue to future meeting (date and time to be specified in motion).

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2019-20 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION

Clean Earth a Harsco Company is one of the largest specialty waste companies in the United States providing remediation, disposal, recycling, and beneficial reuse solutions for all types of specialty waste. The company is holding Clean Earth Days during the month of October to realize their vision to create a better future for people, partners, and the planet. Clean Earth employees from across the country will team up to hold waste collection events, help local non-profit organizations with their daily tasks and special projects, and clean up location trails and streams.

The nearest local branch of the company is located in Modesto, and has been a very strong

supporter of the Applegate Park Zoo through the Zoological Society with multiple regular donations of materials and money for improvement projects. This year, for Clean Earth day they would like to donate to the City by planting 21 new trees throughout Applegate Park and inside the Zoo on October 19. Public Works Parks workers will help dig the tree holes prior to arrival of the volunteers and will work with them closely that day to ensure the trees are planted correctly.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

There is no direct impact on City Resources. New trees throughout Applegate Park and at the Zoo will be an enhancement for the public, and save City resources.