

**CITY OF LA VISTA
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT
OCTOBER 15, 2013 AGENDA**

Subject:	Type:	Submitted By:
AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	BRENDA S. GUNN CITY ADMINISTRATOR

SYNOPSIS

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the purchase of eighteen (18) holiday lights from Blachere-Illumination USA Inc, Christopher, Illinois in an amount not to exceed \$13,130.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY 13/14 Lottery Fund Budget contains funding for the proposed purchase.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval

BACKGROUND

When the new holiday lights were ordered last year, there was a sense that a light on each pole along 84th Street might be too much and as a result decorations were only purchased for every other pole. As it turns out, because the distance between every other pole was more significant than anticipated the desired impact was not ultimately achieved. (*The lights seemed sparse*). We also experienced difficulties with some of the lights, but were able to identify a relatively easy fix and have been able to get the supplier to agree to manufacture new fixtures according to our specifications.

In FY 13, \$50,000 was budgeted for lighted decorations and holiday banners. The following is what was actually purchased:

- 25 Custom Swirl Light Mounts \$17,400
- 56 Banners \$ 9,529

While the FY 14 Lottery budget also includes \$50,000 for holiday decorations, it was prepared prior to our knowledge that the State of Nebraska would be withholding \$2.46M in sales and use taxes in FY 14. As was discussed during the budget process, all items contained within the approved budget would be scrutinized prior to recommendation for purchase. Because the desired effect was not achieved through the initial purchase and the fact that company representatives are being responsive and have agreed to manufacture in accordance with our specifications it is recommended that 18 additional lights be acquired so as to improve the overall appearance.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA, NEBRASKA APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF EIGHTEEN (18) HOLIDAY DECORATIONS FROM BLACHERE-ILLUMINATION USA INC, CHRISTOPHER ILLINOIS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,130.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of La Vista has determined that the purchase of the remainder of the holiday decorations for street light poles is necessary, and

WHEREAS, the FY 13/14 Lottery Fund budget provides funding for the proposed purchase, and

WHEREAS, Subsection (c) of Section 31.23 of the La Vista Municipal Code requires that the City Administrator secure Council approval prior to authorizing any purchase over \$5,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of La Vista, Nebraska, do hereby approve the purchase of eighteen (18) holiday decorations from Blachere-Illumination USA Inc, Christopher, Illinois, in an amount not to exceed \$13,130.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013.

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC
City Clerk