

**REPORT TO THE
CITY COUNCIL**
City of Salinas, California

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SUBJECT: **AGREEMENT FOR BOARD UP SERVICES**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a resolution approving a Contract for Services between the City of Salinas and Blancas Construction, Inc. for board-up services to the City on an on-call, as needed basis.

DISCUSSION:

Background

From time to time City of Salinas (usually the Police Department or Public Works Department) needs to dispatch a contractor on a quick-turnaround basis to board-up either City or privately-owned property. The need for board-up services usually results from an event of inclement weather or, more commonly, criminal activity such as a burglary, trespass, or an act of vandalism. Boarding-up property is a temporary measure that mitigates additional damage to or misuse of property. When the City requests board-up services, the contractor direct bills the property owner.

In early August 2016, City of Salinas issued a Request for Proposals for Board-Up Services and received one responsive proposal from a local, City of Salinas licensed contractor, Blancas Construction, Inc. Blancas Construction, Inc. has board-up experience and otherwise met all requested criteria.

ISSUE:

Shall City Council approve a Resolution approving a Contract for Services between the City of Salinas and Blancas Construction, Inc. for board up services?

FISCAL IMPACT:

No known immediate fiscal impacts exist, except there will be costs associated with hiring Blancas Construction, Inc. to board-up City-owned property. Those costs will be insignificant in contrast to costs when property is not boarded-up/secured from elements, such as water intrusion or wind, or additional human interference with the property.

TIME CONSIDERATIONS:

The City does not currently have a contractor on-call to assist with board-ups. The City is therefore in need of a licensed board-up service provider to assist when board-ups are needed.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Council could choose not to approve the contract, leaving City property without a board-up contractor at the ready and leaving private property solely as the responsibility of private property owners, even when such owners are unreachable.

CITY COUNCIL GOALS:

This project is consistent with the City Council's goals of promoting a Safe, Livable Community, and safely and efficiently managing Excellent Infrastructure.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends in favor of the attached contract and resolution.

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