

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: April 11, 2019

To: Honorable Members of the Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice Committee

Attention: Chair, Councilmember Nury Martinez  
Vice-Chair, Councilmember Paul Koretz  
Councilmember Gil Cedillo  
Councilmember Paul Krekorian  
Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell

From: Eugene D. Seroka, Executive Director *Mark Blewett*  
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO MOTION CF #19-0128 – ACQUISITION AND USE OF ZERO-EMISSION, BATTERY-ELECTRIC LAWN, GARDEN AND MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

The Harbor Department was requested to respond to (CF #19-0128) with regard to a strategy and timeline for a program to pilot and evaluate the use of zero-emission maintenance equipment. Including how the department would take advantage of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Equipment Incentive and Exchange Program, an initial pilot approach will be undertaken at the start of Fiscal Year 2019-20, with the purchase of one each of the following equipment pieces, representative of pieces used in landscape and grounds maintenance work at the Port of Los Angeles:

- One string trimmer (Echo Model CST-58V2AH - \$200.00)
- One hand-held blower (Echo Model CPLB-58V2AH - \$184.00)
- One hedge trimmer (Echo Model CHT-58V2AH - \$240.00)
- One chainsaw (Echo Model CCS-58V4AH - \$240.00)
- One leaf blower (Stihl Model BGA1000 - \$1,080.00)

The purchase of these zero emission equipment pieces would be accomplished through an AQMD authorized vendor. A purchase through the City's requisition process is the preferred means of acquisition, versus participation in SCAQMD's program. Equipment exchanges are precluded by City salvage procedures.

After six months of use of the zero emission equipment, the Harbor Department will evaluate the performance of the equipment. Next steps will be developed at that time if equipment change-outs are advisable.

Questions regarding this correspondence may be directed to Danny Hughes, Construction and Maintenance Supervisor II, at 310-732-3685.

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