STAFF REPORT City of Lancaster

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Date: June 14, 2011

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: Extension of Landscape Maintenance Services Contract – Bid No. 525-08

Recommendation:

Approve the extension of the Landscape Maintenance Contract, as outlined in the original agreement, for a period of six (6) months. No increase to the current contract rates have been requested or considered.

Fiscal Impact:

\$728,119.00; sufficient funds are available in Gas Tax Account Nos. 203-4740-264 in the amount of \$104,235.00; 203-4740-268 in the amount of \$37,145.00; and 203-4740-269 in the amount of \$119,400.00; Landscape Maintenance Assessment District Account No. 482-4747-402 in the amount of \$427,750.00; and Redevelopment Agency Account No. 901-4547-902 in the amount of \$39,600.00.

Background:

The City of Lancaster released a bid for Landscape Maintenance Services on June 22, 2008, and awarded it to Venco Western on September 8, 2008, for an initial term of two years with and option for three 1-year extensions. This is the second of such extensions. The Landscape Maintenance Services contract provides for the maintenance of all Landscape Benefit Assessment Districts; the Lancaster Business Park and Incubator Area, the Freeway Entry Projects, the Sierra Highway Bike Path, and all other public properties in the right-of-way including park and ride facilities and public parking lots where landscape improvements exist. The City is satisfied with the effort demonstrated and the services rendered by this contractor and their willingness to partner with the City to reduce costs. Venco Western's letter requesting extension of the contract was received within the required 60 day time frame prior to the end of term.

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