## MEMORANDUM

- **TO:** Claire Powell, City Manager
- **FROM:** Stacie Anaya, Director of Parks and Recreation
- **DATE:** January 27, 2025
- SUBJECT: Approval of a Second Amendment to the Agreement Between the City of Lewisville and Good Earth Corporation for Mowing and Landscaping of Zone 5; Adding \$51,948.75 to the Contract and Authorization for the City Manager, or Her Designee, to Execute the Agreement.

## **BACKGROUND**:

In March 2022, the City Council approved an Annual Services Contract with Good Earth Corporation to provide mowing and landscaping services along I-35. This agreement aimed to maintain the aesthetic and functional quality of the area. In December 2022, a first amendment to the contract was approved adding one additional mowing cycle and four combined mowing and trash pickup cycles to enhance maintenance efforts.

As part of the FY 2025 budget, an action step was approved to further enhance the beautification of I-35 by increasing trash pickup cycles to a weekly schedule. This adjustment aimed to address ongoing litter issues and enhance the overall appearance of the I-35 corridor.

To align with the expiration of the Zone 4 maintenance contract, the agreement with Good Earth Corporation was extended to May 2, 2025, ensuring continuity in service and consistency across related contracts. The total cost of the contract with the amendment is \$129,486.40

## ANALYSIS:

The enhancements to the I-35 maintenance contract represent a proactive approach to improving one of the City's most visible and heavily trafficked corridors. The initial agreement in March 2022 with Good Earth Corporation established a foundation for consistent mowing and landscaping services, emphasizing the need for aesthetic and functional upkeep. Over time, as the needs of the I-35 corridor evolved, so did the City's strategy for addressing them.

The first amendment in December 2022 highlighted the City's responsiveness to maintenance demands by increasing service levels. The addition of one extra mowing cycle and four combined mowing and trash pickup cycles reflected the City's understanding of the community's desire for a cleaner and more attractive environment along I-35.

By approving weekly trash pickup cycles as part of the FY 2025 budget, the City has made a significant commitment to enhancing beautification efforts. This adjustment directly addresses ongoing litter issues, a primary concern for residents and visitors, ensuring a cleaner and more welcoming corridor. By prioritizing weekly trash pickups and aligning contracts strategically, the City is taking meaningful steps to address both immediate needs and future goals.

## **<u>CITY STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION</u>:**

That the City Council approve the agreement and authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the agreement as set forth in the caption above.