



---

**Agenda Item: Discuss and Consider for Approval Award of Contract for 2021 July 4th Fireworks Display Services to Sky Wonder Pyrotechnics for the Budgeted amount of \$22,000.**

**Background:** For the past several years, the Park Board has contracted a professional fireworks provider to produce the annual July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display for Galveston.

Staff recently solicited bids for fireworks display services via the Park Board website and the Galveston Daily News bids solicitations section. Staff also identified and reached out to three fireworks display companies who operate in Texas.

Three responses were received:

Pyro Shows of Texas informed staff they are booked for other shows and declined to bid.

Illumination Fireworks informed staff they are booked for other shows and declined to bid.

Sky Wonder Pyrotechnics submitted a bid to provide 1,164 shells (show length 20-25 minutes) for the budgeted amount of \$22,000. In the event of cancellation by the Park Board. Sky Wonder Pyrotechnics will allow the Park Board six months to reschedule without losing the \$11,000 deposit.

Sky Wonder Pyrotechnics has provided fireworks display services for Galveston in the past and have proven to be a safe and professional company.

Sky Wonder submitted the M.S.D.S. (Material Safety Data Sheet) which provides information related to the composition of the fireworks. The M.S.D.S data sheet states the composition of the fireworks casings are made of biodegradable materials and do not contain plastic or HDPE materials. It also lists environmental hazards as not applicable and that clean up and disposal is to be in accordance with local environmental regulations.

To ensure the commitment to environmental stewardship the Park Board CZM department and Surfrider Galveston Foundation will continue their tradition of teaming up for post-show debris clean-up. Both groups will coordinate clean-up efforts focused on the impacted areas the following morning. Fireworks debris will be transported off the beach and properly disposed.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends The Board of Trustees to approve the bid submitted by Sky Wonder Pyrotechnics to provide July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display services for the amount of \$22,000.

**Funding Source (if applicable):** Budget item – TD Special Projects budget (TD65-7000)