



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

June 10, 2014

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:  Christine Daniel, City Manager

Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation and Waterfront

Subject: Contract No. 7009 Amendment: 2M Associates for Segment Three of the Bay Trail Extension Project

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 7009 with 2M Associates of Berkeley to prepare the design and National Environmental Policy Act environmental review documents for segment three of the Bay Trail Shoreline Access Staging Area Project in an amount not to exceed \$77,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$327,184, and extending the term through December 31, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding for this contract amendment will be included in the first amendment to the FY 2015 Annual Appropriations Ordinance in the following budget codes: Marina Fund (825-5949-450-30.35-12WF01: \$33,000), and the State Coastal Conservancy PCA grant (626-5949-450-30.35-12WF01: \$44,000). CMS No. DW7Z1.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

In December of 2013, the City was informed that grant funding in the amount of \$1 million was being recommended for the City's Bay Trail Shoreline Access Staging area Project at the Berkeley Marina. The funding will come from the Priority Conservation Area (PCA) grant program that is being sponsored by the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). The project will construct segment three of the Bay Trail Extension, construct a new restroom, and renovate the existing parking lot and windsurf staging area at the South Sailing Basin.

Since the \$500,000 in MTC funds from the PCA grant comes from federal funds, the City must complete a federal environmental review process (the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review). In 2012, a similar NEPA process was conducted for the first two segments of the Bay Trail Extension, and as a result, the City's design consultant, 2M Associates, will be able to update that study and complete the design documents for segment three in an efficient manner. Staff recommends Council approval of a contract amendment with 2M Associates for this work.

BACKGROUND

The Bay Trail Extension to the Berkeley Marina is a spur of the San Francisco Bay Trail that will provide bicycle and pedestrian access from the main loop of the Bay Trail at the corner of University Avenue and West Frontage Road into the Marina along the south side of University Avenue. The first segment of the trail ends at the existing sailing clubs, but when fully built, the project will continue through Shorebird Park to Hs. Lordship's Restaurant, and from there it will run along the water's edge at Seawall Drive and end at the Berkeley Yacht Club. Segments one and two of the Bay Trail Extension were completed in the Fall of 2013.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

The NEPA process, required for this project because of the use federal funds, is intended to help public officials make decisions based on an understanding of environmental consequences, and take actions that protect, restore, and enhance the environment. In this case, the NEPA process will provide information on how to complete the next segment of the Bay Trail Extension in a manner that has no significant negative impact on the environment.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

In 2012, a similar NEPA process was conducted for the first two segments of the Bay Trail Extension, and as a result, the City's design consultant, 2M Associates, will be able to update that study and complete the design documents for segment three in an efficient manner.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 7009 AMENDMENT: 2M ASSOCIATES FOR THE BAY TRAIL SHORELINE ACCESS STAGING AREA PROJECT DESIGN AND NEPA REVIEW DOCUMENTS FOR SEGMENT THREE

WHEREAS, in December of 2013, the City was informed that grant funding in the amount of \$1 million was being recommended for the City's Bay Trail Shoreline Access Staging area Project at the Berkeley Marina; and

WHEREAS, the funding will come from the Priority Conservation Area (PCA) grant program that is being sponsored by the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC); and

WHEREAS, the project will construct segment three of the Bay Trail Extension, construct a new restroom, and renovate the existing parking lot and windsurf staging area at the South Sailing Basin; and

WHEREAS, since the MTC portion of the grant (\$500,000) is coming from federal MTC funds, the City must complete a federal environmental review process (the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) review); and

WHEREAS, in 2012, a similar NEPA process was conducted for the first two segments of the Bay Trail Extension, and as a result, the City's design consultant, 2M Associates, will be able to update that study and complete the design documents for segment three in an efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, funding for this contract amendment will be included in the first amendment to the FY 2015 Annual Appropriations Ordinance in the following budget codes: Marina Fund (825-5949-450-30.35-12WF01: \$33,000), and the State Coastal Conservancy PCA grant (626-5949-450-30.35-12WF01: \$44,000). CMS No. DW7Z1.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to Contract No. 7009 with 2M Associates of Berkeley to prepare the design and NEPA environmental review documents for segment three of the Bay Trail Shoreline Access Staging Area Project in an amount not to exceed \$77,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$327,184, and extending the term through December 31, 2015. A record signature copy of contract and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

