To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation & Waterfront
Subject: Contract No. 10522 Amendment: Redwood Engineering Construction for Willard Park Play Area and Pathway Renovations Project

RECOMMENDATION
Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 10522 with Redwood Engineering Construction for the Willard Park Play Area and Pathway Renovation project, increasing the amount by $115,000 for an amended total amount not to exceed $417,400.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION
Funding for this contract amendment is available in the Parks Tax Fund (Fund 450) and will be appropriated as part of the First Amendment to the FY 2018 Annual Appropriations.

Original contract not-to-exceed (NTE) amount .................................................$302,400
Parks Tax Fund (Fund 450) .............................................................................$115,000
Total construction cost .....................................................................................$417,400

The Contract Management System number for this contract is CMS No. KVK8G.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS
The contract with Redwood Engineering Construction for the improvement project at Willard Park, was executed in April 2017 for a total amount not to exceed $302,400. During construction, unforeseen existing conditions required that additional work be performed. The City is presently negotiating change orders with Redwood Engineering Construction, for which an increase in the NTE authorization is needed. Additionally, the City’s parks maintenance staff has identified deferred maintenance repairs or replacements needed. This work was not included in the contract scope, but is necessary to maintain accessibility and safe conditions at the City’s parks.
BACKGROUND
This project includes renovation of Willard Park Play Area and Pathway. The play structure was deteriorating, the surfacing needs to be repaired, and accessibility issues needed to be corrected, among other improvements to the site. The work to be done includes, but is not limited to, the renovation of the existing toddler play structure and safety surfacing, installation of new site paving, ADA accessibility improvements, landscaping, drainage, and other site amenities. These park improvements are part of the City’s ongoing program to repair, renovate, and improve safety and accessibility at non-compliant or aging Parks facilities.

The project was advertised for bids on Wednesday, November 23, 2016, and bids were opened on December 13, 2017. The City received 4 bids, from a low of $226,000 to a high of $295,000. Including bid alternates (A4 and A5), the range in bids was from a low of $252,000 to a high of $414,044. Redwood Engineering Construction was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. References for Redwood Engineering Construction were provided and checked out satisfactorily.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
The construction contract includes requirements to comply with the City’s Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy. The project is a renovation of a developed urban site and therefore will not negatively affect natural habitat.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION
The City and Redwood Engineering Construction are negotiating a price within the City’s budget for renovations and safety improvements. This increase to the contract is necessary to perform additional deferred maintenance repairs, safety enhancements, and to complete current change orders. The City does not have the in-house labor or equipment resources to complete these construction activities.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED
None

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Attachments:
1: Resolution
RESOLUTION NO. ##.###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 10522 AMENDMENT: REDWOOD ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION FOR WILLARD PARK PLAY AREA AND PATHWAY RENOVATIONS

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2017, by Resolution No. 67,812-N.S., the City Council authorized Contract No. 10522 with Redwood Engineering Construction in an amount not to exceed $302,400 for the Willard Park Play Area and Pathway Renovation project; and

WHEREAS, an increase of $115,000 to the not-to-exceed contract amount is necessary to make deferred maintenance repairs and complete change orders; and

WHEREAS, the City has neither the labor nor the equipment necessary to undertake this construction work; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the FY 2018 budget in the Parks Tax Fund (Fund 450), and the contract amendment has been entered in the City’s contract database as CMS No. KVK8G.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to the contract with Redwood Engineering Construction for the Willard Park Play Area and Pathway Renovations project, increasing the contract amount by $115,000, for a total amended amount not to exceed $417,400.