

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (CM)

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR REMOVAL OF THE RAMSAY PARK GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINES AND PARTIAL QUITCLAIM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$234,961; AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME**

**WHEREAS**, on September 13, 1988, City Council approved a grant of easement to Pacific Gas & Electric Company ("PG&E") to replace and relocate an eight (8") inch gas line across property at Ramsay Park through Resolution No. 264-88; and

**WHEREAS**, the gas lines installed through Ramsay Park located at 1301 Main Street have been relocated, with the retired lines left in place, and the easements remaining; and

**WHEREAS**, PG&E owns the abandoned transmission gas pipelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has submitted a request to PG&E to remove these retired gas lines to accommodate new construction on the Ramsay Park Renaissance project in the vicinity of 1301 Main St., Watsonville, CA 95076, Santa Cruz County, California; and

**WHEREAS**, PG&E is willing to remove the retired gas lines to accommodate construction on the Ramsay Park Renaissance project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Actual Cost Contract Agreement estimates total amount of \$234,961 for the removal of such PG&E facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Watsonville has already paid PG&E \$50,000 for preliminary engineering costs which will be incorporated into the work to be performed under the Agreement and deducted from the amount owed by the City to PG&E; and

**WHEREAS**, the final remaining balance due to PG&E is \$184,961; and

**WHEREAS**, a partial quitclaim will be completed after the work is completed to remove the easement for the transmission gas lines removed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. On August 16, 2023, an Administrative Use Permit and Design Review Permit with Environmental Review (PP2022-4245) was approved for the Ramsay Park Renaissance Project by the City of Watsonville's Zoning Administrator with no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment in accordance with Public Resources Code section 21080(c).

2. On August 29, 2023, a Notice of Determination with a Mitigated Negative Declaration and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP) was filed with the Santa Cruz CEQA Clerk and Office of Planning and Research by the Zoning Administrator pursuant to CEQA provisions.

3. The City Council finds and determines that (i) the CEQA documentation prepared for the Ramsay Park Renaissance Project serves as the appropriate environmental documentation for proposed Contract Agreement and satisfies all requirements of CEQA; and (ii) no supplemental environmental documentation is required by CEQA at this time pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15162, because no substantial changes are proposed to the Project with this Contract Agreement and no new information of substantial importance has been identified. Additionally, no addendum is required pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15164 because no technical changes or additions are proposed through this Actual Cost Contract Agreement. This Actual Cost Contract Agreement does not authorize any actions that will create any environmental impact that have not already been analyzed.

4. That the Actual Cost Contract and partial quitclaim between the City of Watsonville and PG&E, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference is hereby approved.

5. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Actual Cost Contract and partial quitclaim for and on behalf of the City of Watsonville with minor revisions approved by the City Manager and the City Attorney.

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