



Watsonville
CALIFORNIA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, April 15, 2025
TO: CITY COUNCIL
WRITTEN BY: MURRAY FONTES, ASST DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES
RECOMMENDED BY: PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR LINDBERG
APPROVED BY: TAMARA VIDES, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. 4 WITH MESITI-MILLER ENGINEERING, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE LEE ROAD TRAIL PHASE 1 PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,700 AND EXTEND TERM TO DECEMBER 31, 2026

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution approving Amendment No. 4 to the contract with Mesiti-Miller Engineering, Inc. (MME), for additional engineering consultant services, in the amount of \$38,700 from Measure D funds, and time extension for the end date of the contract to December 31, 2026.

BACKGROUND:

On October 6, 2021, the City executed a contract with MME for On-Call Engineering Design Services for the Lee Road Trail Project - Phase 1 for the preparation of plans and specifications, in the amount not to exceed \$95,748.

The plans and specifications for the Lee Road Trail Project - Phase 1 are nearing completion and additional efforts and funds are needed to finish this phase that was beyond the originally estimated MME contract. The project requires and is awaiting a Building Permit from the County of Santa Cruz, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the US Army Corp of Engineers. The City has been working closely with these agencies to comply with their requirements.

DISCUSSION:

Development of the Lee Rd Trail Project - Phase 1 has required City staff and MME to work with the County of Santa Cruz and several regulatory agencies to secure permits. This has led to correspondence with the nine agencies in the County of Santa Cruz. Although most of the County agencies have approved the plans and specifications, there are comments and requests for changes on the plans by the Building Permit, Public Works Stormwater, and Public Works Transportation Agencies. Additionally, the regulatory agencies have conditions of approval that will add requirements to the Contractor and will need to be reflected in the contract. City staff and MME have managed the exchange of questions and answers (Q&A) for these permits and additional funds are needed to support this effort.

Staff recommend that the City Council approve contract Amendment No. 4 with MME, in the amount of \$38,700 for a new total compensation amount not-to-exceed \$227,402 and extend the term of the contract to December 31, 2026.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION:

On March 12, 2021, the County adopted a mitigated negative declaration for the Lee Road Trail project. No changes to the mitigated negative declaration are required by the recommended contract amendment. The amendment proposes no changes to the project that would require additional environmental analysis, and none of the conditions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 for the preparation of a subsequent EIR have been met.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

The project addresses the following Strategic Plan:

Infrastructure & Environment

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost of Contract Amendment No. 4 will be \$38,700. This Amendment shall be funded from the following Measure D Account:

Lee Road Trail Phase 1 Account Number 0312-972-7837-14860

These funds were allocated to the project in FY 24/25.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

No reasonable alternatives are known at this time.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (IF ANY):

None.