



Watsonville
CALIFORNIA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, April 15, 2025
TO: CITY COUNCIL
WRITTEN BY: Project Manager Peralta
Sr. Utilities Engineer Berry
RECOMMENDED BY: DEPUTY CITY MANAGER CALUBAQUIB
APPROVED BY: TAMARA VIDES, CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT: APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONSULTANT CONTRACT WITH
PACIFIC CREST ENGINEERING, INC FOR SPECIAL INSPECTION, TESTING
AND GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES ON THE RAMSAY PARK
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, EXTENDING THE CONTRACT TERM DATE TO
DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND IN

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the first amendment to the consultant contract with Pacific Crest Engineering, Inc. for special inspection, testing, and geotechnical engineering services on the Ramsay Park Improvements Project, extending the contract term date to December 31, 2026, increasing the amount by \$77,280 to a maximum of \$172,340, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same.

BACKGROUND:

On February 25, 2022, the Public Works & Utilities Department issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for qualified consultants to assist the City with special inspection, testing and geotechnical services on an on-call and as-needed basis.

On May 24, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 94-22 (CM) awarding a Professional Services Contract to Pacific Crest Engineering Inc. to provide on-call inspection, testing, and geotechnical engineering services, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

On February 22, 2024, the City and Pacific Crest Engineering Inc. executed a separate Professional Services Contract for the Ramsay Park Improvements Project for inspection, testing, and geotechnical engineering services, in an amount not to exceed \$95,060 with a completion date of March 31, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

Pacific Crest Engineering Inc. is a local consultant firm providing engineering services on the Ramsay Park Improvements Project (“project”) for Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) and Earthwork Observation and Testing (EO&T). Materials testing and special inspections are needed for the retaining walls and concrete seating, the synthetic turf multi-use field, concrete testing of the playground and dog park, play equipment area, parking lot and access roads, and drilled piers for site lighting.

The initial contract was funded to allow staff to kick start the initial inspection, testing, and geotechnical engineering services needed on the project. As the project continues, additional observations and testing will be needed for the construction of the Sotomayor Soccer Field, Multi-Use Synthetic Field, Dog Park and Playground Area. The project will also require geotechnical observations and testing services for trenches, parking, paths, and drilled piers. Special inspection services are needed for concrete, paving, and grading.

Staff seeks City Council approval for \$77,280 to be added to the Pacific Crest Engineering, Inc. contract for Ramsay Park through Amendment 1.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION:

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).

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.

The CEQA documentation prepared for the Ramsay Park Renaissance Project serves as the appropriate environmental documentation for proposed First Amendment to Contract and satisfies all requirements of CEQA. 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 First Amendment to Contract 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 First Amendment to Contract, and this First Amendment to Contract does not authorize any actions that will create any environmental impact that have not already been analyzed.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This recommendation is consistent with the following Council Strategic Goals:

- 2) Infrastructure & Environment: Renovation of significant City infrastructure
- 6) Community Engagement & Well-Being: Parks support the community's well-being

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There are sufficient funds available in the CIP Ramsay Park - Master Plan account budget to pay for Amendment No. 1 through account number 0150-901-7820-15020.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

The Council may choose not to accept this first amendment, and the remaining proposed scope of work will not be completed.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (IF ANY):

Attachment 1: OPC – Request for Additional Authorization Dated March 13, 2025