

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, May 13, 2025

TO: CITY COUNCIL

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RECOMMENDED BY: PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR LINDBERG

**APPROVED BY:** TAMARA VIDES, CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH HARRIS &

ASSOCIATES, INC., TO REVISE SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR PAVEMENT PROGRAM MANAGER; ADD NCE AS SUBCONSULTANT; UPDATE

**ENGINEERING HOURLY RATES FOR 2025 AND AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT** 

**CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME** 

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve Amendment 1 to contract with Harris & Associates, Inc. to:

- 1. Revise the Scope of Services for the Pavement Program Manager;
- 2. Add NCE as a subconsultant;
- 3. Update engineering hourly rates for 2025;
- 4. Authorize and direct the City Manager to execute the same.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

To make the best use of limited road repair and maintenance funding, the city hired Harris & Associates, Inc. (Harris) to prepare a five-year Pavement Management Program (PMP) and to provide Pavement Program Manager services (PPM) for the PMP. On April 9, 2024, Council adopted Resolution No. 54-24 (CM), authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Harris for PPM services. The contract was executed on April 29, 2024, in the amount of \$1,275,000 for an initial three-year term to provide PPM services.

On February 11, 2025, Council adopted Resolution No. 43-25 (CM), accepting the City of Watsonville 2024 Pavement Management Program Update report prepared by City staff with assistance by Harris, and the Year 1 Program with a proposed list of streets for the annual paving project.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Staff propose to work with Harris to implement the street maintenance projects identified in Year 1 of the PMP. This involves amending the current Harris PPM contract to include;

- Preparation of the PMP Year 1 plans, specifications and estimate (PS&E). Harris provided a not-to-exceed budget of \$125,556 to prepare this PS&E. The work can be incorporated into the existing \$425,000 PPM Year 1 contract and will not increase costs;
- Subconsultant services performed by NCE for technical support in providing training on the City's StreetSaver pavement maintenance software, preparing revisions to the PMP financial scenarios and providing annual updates to the City's StreetSaver pavement maintenance software;
- Update engineering hourly rates for 2025.

# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION:

No additional California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review is required for the Pavement Program Management Services. On April 9, 2024, the City Council declared the Pavement Program Management Services as exempt in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 (b)(5), as it does not meet CEQA's definition of a "project". Further, the approval of the First Amendment to Contract for the Pavement Program Management Services is an administrative activity that would not have the potential to either (1) cause a direct physical change in the environment, or (2) cause a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. Therefore, no CEQA action is required at this time.

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This project addresses the following Strategic Plan goals:

**Infrastructure & Environment** 

**Public Safety** 

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no increase in the contract amount as the services described in Amendment 1 will be done within the existing contract amount.

## **ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

No reasonable alternatives are known at this time."

# ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (IF ANY):

None