

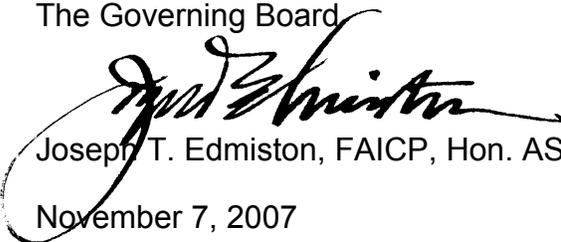


## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:   
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DATE: November 7, 2007

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item V(n): Consideration of resolution authorizing the augmentation of the contract with Christopher Glenn Masonry for stonework on the amphitheater at the Rubell Memorial in Temescal Gateway Park.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing augmentation of the contract with Christopher Glenn Masonry for stonework on the amphitheater at the Rubell Memorial in Temescal Gateway Park.

Background: The Rubell Memorial is located near the Camp Store and Main Office at Temescal Gateway Park. It is used by the MRCA Interpretive Staff as a venue for events and presentations.

In order to accommodate more park visitors, a seating area was designed to fit into the hillside. The seating area would greatly increase the number of people who could participate in interpretive events and would make the space more appealing for event rentals as well. The seating area was designed to echo and fit within the existing rock walls.

MRCA construction staff began the project and built the sub-structure of the seating area, but it was determined that they would be unable to replicate the style of the adjoining stone walls in order to ensure a consistency of style in the park.

The construction staff then solicited bids to complete the stone masonry and compiled a short list of contractors capable of the work, pursuant to Section 2.6 of the MRCA's Purchasing and Contracting Procedures. Christopher Glen Masonry, one of the bidders, had worked on several other MRCA projects as a subcontractor and was the lowest bidder at \$23,000. Staff was familiar with Christopher Glen, knew that he maintained a high quality of work and selected him to complete the work from the short list, pursuant to Section 3.2(b) of the Purchasing and Contracting Procedures.

As the seating area neared completion, it became clear that some additional stone work was required to finish the adjoining walls and stairs to blend the new work with the existing stone on the hillside. This additional work would require a one time

augmentation of \$6,551 to the original contract. Although the initial contract amount of \$23,000 allowed staff to hire a contractor off of a short list, and did not require a formal bidding procedure as established in Purchasing and Contracting Procedures Section 3.2(c) and Public Contract Code Section 20815.3, the required augmentation increased the total amount of the contract above the \$25,000 threshold for a formal bidding procedure and Governing Board approval.

As a result, it was determined that the augmentation and new contract total of \$28,551 would require the approval of the Governing Board.