

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Governing Board

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: November 4, 2015

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI(f): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with GSV Sustainability Partners, Inc. for installation of water saving measures at

Ramirez Canyon Park.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract with GSV Sustainability Partners, Inc. for installation of water saving measures at Ramirez Canyon Park.

<u>Background</u>: GSV Sustainability Partners, Inc. (GSV-SP) is a sustainability consulting and service company that provides energy and water-saving technology to customers at a reduced cost based on utility savings. GSV-SP will install state-of-the-art irrigation equipment at the park expected to reduce water costs by up to 30% overall. The initial term of the agreement is one month, and can be cancelled at any time with a buy-out or return of the installed equipment.

GSV-SP will conduct a professional assessment of the park's infrastructure, engineer, specify, and install the equipment, and provide upkeep for the useful life of the equipment. Payments shall be based on documented reduced water costs. Net operating costs for the park will be reduced as a result of this agreement.