

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Governing Board

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

DATE: June 1, 2016

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI(b): Consideration of resolution authorizing an augmentation of the contract with Los Angeles Engineering, Inc. for construction of the Park to Playa-Stocker Corridor Trailhead Project.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing an augmentation to the contract with Los Angeles Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$157,417.36 for construction of the Park to Playa-Stocker Corridor Trailhead Project.

<u>Background</u>: The Park to Playa-Stocker Corridor Trailhead project (Project) improved a 1.2-acre vacant site with trail improvements, stormwater catchment basin, parking lot, decorative gateway, fencing, native landscape and irrigation, site furnishings, and ADA ramp and stair connection to adjacent Reuben Ingold park.

The contract for general contractor, Los Angeles Engineering, Inc. (LAE), was approved by the Board in January 2015 in the amount of \$1,453,181. During the course of the Project, LAE submitted over \$240,000 in change order requests. All proposed change orders were reviewed by the project's construction manager and appropriate staff before approval. A total of four (4) change orders totaling \$157,417.36 were approved, revising the total contract amount to \$1,610,598.36, an overall increase of 10.8%.

Staff is currently working with LAE to close out the contract and no additional costs increases are expected. Negotiations involving the final change order extended over several months due to a number of complex items under consideration. Staff, in consultation with legal counsel and the project's construction manager, negotiated the final amount of this change order.

<u>Consideration</u>: The proposed augmentation of \$157,417.36 includes all change orders and would add 10.8% to the total contract value.