

## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: The Governing Board

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

DATE: September 7, 2016

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI(h): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract amendment with MIG, Inc. for additional design services for the Pacoima Wash Greenway- El Dorado Park project.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract amendment with MIG, Inc. for additional design services for the Pacoima Wash Greenway-El Dorado Park project in an amount not to exceed \$24,595.

<u>Background</u>: The El Dorado Park project is currently in the planning and design phase. The proposed project will convert a 1.25-acre site owned by the City of Los Angeles (City) adjacent to the Pacoima Wash into a natural park. The project is part of a larger vision to create a network of parks along a future Pacoima Wash bikeway connecting to the National Angeles Forest. Once constructed, it will provide multiple-benefit parkland with educational opportunities, water quality improvements, flood protection, and habitat restoration within a disadvantaged community. The project is a partnership between the MRCA, the City's Department of Recreation and Parks, and 501(c)3 non-profit Pacoima Beautiful. Pacoima Beautiful anticipates using the site for community and youth programs.

The base contract with MIG, Inc. (MIG) for Landscape Architectural and Civil Engineering services for this project was approved in November 2013. The currently contracted scope of work includes Schematic Design, Design Development, Construction Documents and Construction Administration services. The current amendment proposal from MIG includes costs related to additional time that has been required in order to address more than anticipated and extensive City comments, additional meetings, and new design and permitting of overflow connections from the park stormwater network into the Pacoima Wash.

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In 2012, MRCA was awarded funds from the California Natural Resources Agency (Urban Greening Program), California Department of Parks and Recreation (Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program), and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (Conservancy) for planning and construction of the park.

<u>Consideration</u>: The proposed action would authorize a professional services contract amendment with MIG in an amount not to exceed \$24,595, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$154,186. The subject contract would authorize additional design services for the remaining design and permitting phase of the project. The contract will be funded through the existing Conservancy grant for the project.