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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: July 3, 2019

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(n): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract augmentation with Hardy & Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving at Joughin Ranch.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract augmentation with Hardy & Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving at Joughin Ranch, unincorporated Los Angeles County, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

Background: MRCA currently has a contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving based on a pre-agreed upon unit price for over 20 options of asphalt paving types and related work, including different depths of asphalt from 3-6 inches, base material layers, removals, curbs, crackfill, speed bumps, etc. The purpose of this unit-price bid was to set a fixed price for various road work improvement projects for up to five years. The amount of road work and paving improvement projects possible on MRCA properties is extensive, and there can be a wide range of acceptable treatment for each condition. The agreed-upon unit prices make it possible to determine limits of work, and treatment types, that will fit within budget for a particular project.

The contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc. was approved by the Governing Board on July 6, 2016 for Joughin Ranch road improvements. The contract was subsequently augmented by the Governing Board on March 22, 2017 for additional scope at Joughin Ranch, and on September 6, 2017 for parking lot and road work at Wilacre Park. At this time sufficient funding remains from the grant for Joughin Ranch road improvements from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to complete pothole filling on segments of the road not previously treated, and resurfacing of the upper and lower helipads, which were not previously improved.

The Michael D. Antonovich Regional Park at Joughin Ranch is located on the southern slopes of the Santa Susana Mountains between Chatsworth and Simi Valley. An extensive trail system within the park connects the Marge Feinberg Rim of the Valley Trail and lower Browns Canyon for hiking, mountain biking and

equestrian use. The park encompasses the headwaters of Devil, Ybarra, and Browns Canyons, and these canyons contain extensive oak and walnut woodland and riparian corridors with year-round surface water.

Consideration: The augmentation for pothole filling and resurfacing of the upper and lower helipads at Joughin Ranch will not exceed \$40,000.00. Hardy and Harper, Inc. has estimated the cost of this work at \$33,708.00. Staff recommends authorizing an additional amount (\$6,292) for unforeseen contingency, and to ensure that the existing grant can be fully expended. The total contract amount with Hardy and Harper, Inc., including all previous authorizations by the Governing Board and staff for work at Joughin Ranch and Wilacre Park, will not exceed \$854,776.37.

Fiscal Impact: The contract augmentation will be paid out of the existing grant for Joughin Ranch road improvements from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. The expense will occur during fiscal year 19/20 and will be included in the final budget. The work is expected to reduce annual maintenance costs and will provide more reliable access, which benefits both emergency response time and potential revenue opportunities.