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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: January 6, 2021

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VII(c): Consideration of resolution authorizing an augmentation to the contract with Hardy and Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving at Franklin Canyon Park.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution augmenting the contract with Hardy and Harper, Inc. for Franklin Canyon Park asphalt paving, Beverly Hills, in the amount of \$9,087.22 for a new contract total of \$81,505.73.

Background: In September 2020, the Governing Board authorized a contract with Hardy and Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving at Franklin Canyon Park, to create ADA-compliant parking and paths of travel at both the lower ranch trailhead and Sooky Goldman Nature Center. In October 2020 the Governing Board augmented the contract to a total of \$72,419 for additional base material and edging that had not been anticipated at the time of the bid. After construction commenced, two unforeseen items caused cost increases. First, it was discovered that the old wheel stops were too damaged to reuse and needed to be replaced (\$2,472). Then MRCA requested that work at the Nature Center be halted for one day so that the noise would not conflict with administrative citation hearings, which are recorded. Per the construction contract, the contractor shall be compensated for delays caused by the owner. The contractor's overhead, labor, and equipment rental fees for the delay total \$6,615.

The total of the two change orders is \$9,087, which is a 12% increase over the approved contract amount of \$72,419. The MRCA's Procurement Policy states that if a purchase was originally subject to Governing Board approval, then augmentations of that purchase exceeding 10% must also be approved by the Governing Board (Section 6.2).

Consideration: The proposed action would add \$9,087 to the contract with Hardy & Harper Inc., for a new total of \$81,506.

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Fiscal Impact: The augmentation is within the budget contingency for the project. The contract is funded by existing grants from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, and it is included in the adopted budget for FY 20-21.