

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda date: February 22, 2011
Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: Approval and Acceptance of Improvements for Contract No. C10-2,
Lower Codornices Creek Restoration, Step 2, Phase 3.

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RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 2011-8 approving and accepting improvements and directing the filing of the Notice of Completion for Contract No. C10-2, Lower Codornices Creek Restoration, Step 2, Phase 3

BACKGROUND

The City Council on March 15, 2010 authorized the City Clerk to invite bids for the Lower Codornices Creek Restoration – Phase 3, Step 2, to complete the restoration of the creek between 6th and 8th Streets and the construction of a Class I bicycle/pedestrian trail along this segment. On April 27, 2010, Bids were received and the lowest bidder was William P Young Construction, Inc. of San Leandro, California.

On May 17, 2010, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of \$ 751,867.00 for the Lower Codornices Creek Restoration, Step 2, Phase 3, and Contract No. C10-2 to William P. Young Construction, Inc. of San Leandro, California.

DISCUSSION

Phase 3 of the Codornices Creek Project included the continued restoration of the creek between 6th and 8th streets and the construction of a Class I bicycle/pedestrian trail along this segment, connecting to the Berkeley Bicycle Path network at 8th street. Construction of the creek restoration started at the end of June 2010 with the relocation of fish and dewatering of this segment of creek, and by October 2010 the creek restoration and re-vegetation of the floodplain had been completed. Based on the favorable bids, the City staff coordinated with the City of Berkeley and the University of California to modify the storm drain treatment at 6th street to provide pollution prevention via rain garden installations at both sides of 6th street.

An increase in the scope of work and extension of the contract time was negotiated with William P Young and a change order was issued for this improvement. Substantial completion of the project was achieved on January 31 with exception of a few punch list items. The contractor will work to finish all punch list items before the meeting or staff will pull this item off the agenda.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

The result of this project has been to widen the floodplain and restore riparian areas, grade the new stream channel with increased sinuosity to improve the migration of fish upstream, stabilize stream banks with bioengineering methods, install in-stream habitat structures (root wads and boulders weirs) and remove all non-native vegetation and plant native vegetation. The project also provided for a bicycle/pedestrian path and installation of rain gardens to control pollution into the creek.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This project did not involve any City general funds; the City obtained a \$2.1 million grant from the California Resources Agency River Parkways Grant Program for the 6th to 8th street segment. Step 1 of Phase 3, for the widening of the flood plain on the south side of the creek, (which involved moving the USPS wall) was completed in 2009, and the NOC for that phase was approved February 17, 2009. The total WP Young contract amount for this phase of the creek restoration, bicycle path, rain gardens, including any and all change orders is \$1,075,222. This amount plus costs related to design and construction management is within the amount budgeted for the project.

Attachment: City Council Resolution No. 2011-8.
Notice of Completion.