

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. C21-28 TO URBAN TILTH FOR THE ALBANY CREEKS & OPEN SPACE MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Albany Hill Creekside Park Master Plan in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the City has increased vegetation and other maintenance on Albany Hill and Cerrito Creek since 2017, and since 2019 the City has conducted vegetation maintenance along Codornices Creek per the MOU between the City of Albany, City of Berkeley, and University of California; and

WHEREAS, a continuous, year-round maintenance schedule on Albany Hill, Cerrito Creek, and Codornices Creek would more effectively keep ecosystems healthy, fire-safe, and accessible; and

WHEREAS, Urban Tilth, a Richmond-based 501(c)-3 non-profit, has a Basins of Relations Watershed Stewardship Program empowering young adults living in Richmond and surrounding communities as they restore critical riparian and watershed habitat in collaboration with local agencies and landowners since 2015, and Urban Tilth has a Watershed Stewardship Restoration Field Crew employing exceptional graduates from this program; and

WHEREAS, the City has used Urban Tilth's Field Crew on four vegetation and maintenance projects on Albany Hill and Cerrito Creek since 2018 and is pleased with the quality and value of work performed; and

WHEREAS, Urban Tilth has provided a proposal for stewardship and restoration services on Albany Hill, Cerrito Creek, and Codornices Creek for a term of three years, which Staff has deemed to be worthwhile in light of the benefits and opportunities that will accrue to local young adults and the valuable work that will be performed in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute Contract No. C21-28 with Urban Tilth in the amount of \$293,651.93 for the Albany Creeks & Open Space Maintenance and Restoration Program, using funds appropriated as part of the Public Works operating budget.

GE'NELL GARY, MAYOR



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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

ALBANY, The 1st day of March, 2021, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Jordan, McQuaid, Nason, Tiedemann and Mayor Gary

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 2nd

day of March, 2021.

Anne Hsu

CITY CLERK