

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-25**

2 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE**  
3 **CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT NO. C21-27 WITH**  
4 **GROUNDWORKS OFFICE FOR THE UPDATE TO THE PARKS,**  
5 **RECREATION & OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN AND TO ALLOCATE AN**  
6 **ADDITIONAL \$25,000 FROM RECREATION RESERVES FOR THE**  
7 **COMPLETION OF THE PLAN FOR A TOTAL OF \$75,000**

8 **WHEREAS**, the current Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan was  
9 adopted in October of 2004 and was used to identify funding priorities and capital  
10 improvement needs for the Albany Park system; and  
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12 **WHEREAS**, many of the projects listed in the Master Plan have been completed  
13 while others remain unfunded; and  
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15 **WHEREAS**, the City also adopted in 2016 the 2035 General Plan that includes  
16 policies, goals, and actions to preserve and enhance open space, expand and improve  
17 local park system to keep pace with population growth, emerging trends and changing  
18 needs of park user groups; and  
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20 **WHEREAS**, periodic updates to the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master  
21 Plan is recommended as an implementing action in the General Plan to identify goals,  
22 standards, guiding policies and action plans to guide the City in the development,  
23 acquisition, operations and maintenance of Albany parks, recreational facilities and open  
24 spaces; and  
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26 **WHEREAS**, on December 7, 2021, the Council authorized the release of a Request  
27 for Proposals (RFP) for the update to the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan  
28 seeking firms with proven experience and knowledge in park and recreation planning,  
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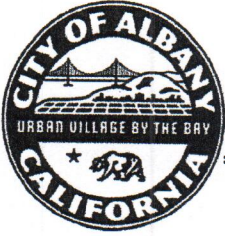
1 master plan preparation, inclusive practices, physical park access issues, project  
2 management, and effective public engagement skills; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, staff reviewed four submissions received and found Groundworks  
5 Office's a local urban design and landscape architecture firm based in Berkeley to have  
6 submitted the most competitive proposal including lowest cost estimate for the intended  
7 scope of work and budget, extensive experience, community awareness, robust and  
8 innovative outreach and engagement plan, efficient timeline with concrete deliverables,  
9 analysis of trends and policies, inclusive practices and a deep understanding of the  
10 values, opportunities and challenges facing Albany's park system.  
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13 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Albany City Council does  
14 hereby authorize the City Manager to execute Contract No. C21-27 with Groundworks  
15 Office for the update to the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan.  
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17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Albany City Council allocate an  
18 additional \$25,000 from Recreation Reserves for the completion of the plan for a total of  
19 \$75,000.  
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24 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

*The City of Albany is dedicated to maintaining its small town ambiance, responding to the needs of a diverse community, and providing a safe, healthy and sustainable community.*