

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-37**

2 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL APPROVING**  
3 **CHANGE ORDER #1 TO CONTRACT NO. C24-12 WITH GSI**  
4 **ENVIRONMENTAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SITE INVESTIGATION**  
5 **WORK PLAN FOR ALUM MUD AT THE ALBANY BULB AND**  
6 **APPROPRIATING GENERAL FUND TO THE PROJECT**

7 **WHEREAS**, the City of Albany operates the Albany Bulb, a covered former landfill  
8 that extends into the San Francisco Bay, as a public space; and

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10 **WHEREAS**, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board regulates  
11 the potential discharges of contaminants that may affect the water quality of the San Francisco  
12 Bay; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, on January 18, 2024, the Water Board issued a letter to the City requiring  
15 a work plan to investigate and characterize the Albany Bulb for the presence of alum mud due  
16 to new documents suggesting disposal of the material from 1961 to 1971; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, this project is categorically exempt from California Environmental  
19 Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15308 “Actions by Regulatory Agencies for  
20 Protection of the Environment” of the CEQA Guidelines, which exempts actions required by  
21 regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the  
22 environment; and

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24 **WHEREAS**, Public Works staff solicited proposals from three (3) environmental firms  
25 to prepare the work plan and selected GSI Environmental based on their experience in similar  
26 assessments; and

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28 **WHEREAS**, on April 1, 2024, GSI Environmental prepared and submitted a Work  
29 Plan meeting the Water Board requirements describing its approach to implementing a soil and  
groundwater sampling plan; and

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**WHEREAS**, on May 14, 2024, the Water Board concurred with the proposed Work Plan and authorized the City to proceed with implementing the Work Plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Albany City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute contract change order #1 to Contract No. C24-12 with GSI Environmental in the amount of \$328,300 to implement the Site Investigation Work Plan for alum mud testing at the Albany Bulb, and appropriates \$378,700 from the General Fund to fund the project.

  
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JOHN MIKI, MAYOR



# City of Albany

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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

The 3rd day of June, 2024, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Hansen-Romero, Jordan, López, Tiedemann and

Mayor Miki

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 4th

day of June, 2024.

Anne Hsu  
CITY CLERK

*Albany is committed to providing a healthy, safe, and accessible city,  
and strives to lift every voice in our community.*