

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

Agenda date: April 18, 2005

Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Approval and Acceptance of Fielding Softball Field Renovation, Lower Codornices Creek - Contract No. 04-14

**FROM:** Judy Lieberman, Assistant City Administrator  
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**RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt Resolution No. 05-20 approving and accepting improvements and directing the filing of the Notice of Completion for Contract No. 04-14, Fielding Softball Field Renovation, Lower Codornices Creek.

**BACKGROUND**

This project was part of the Lower Codornices Creek project, but bid and constructed as a separate contract for cost reasons. The project consisted of relocating the Albany Berkeley Girls' Softball League field away from the creek project to assist in the creation of the space for the new flood channel and creek restoration project. The infield and backstop were moved ten feet northerly and 30 feet easterly, necessitating construction of a new infield and replacement batting cage and "dugouts."

**DISCUSSION**

This project was not incorporated into the original contract for the Lower Codornices Creek project because the plans were not ready and accepted by the field user groups and the University of California in time. Efforts to negotiate a Contract Change Order for the work with the Creek prime contractor were not successful for cost reasons, and this work was bid as a separate project accordingly. Low bidder on the project was Hanford ARC for \$70,591.81. Oracle Landscape was the other bidder, at about \$6,000 more. There were a total of four relatively small contract change orders, totaling \$4,571.58, making the final contract price \$75,163.39.

The renovated softball field is in use and the improvements have been well accepted by the users groups. A resolution accepting the project and directing the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion, and the Notice of Completion itself, are attached.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

This portion of the Codornices Creek project is budgeted from Measure R Funds. The total project cost, including design and engineering, was \$90,626.30.