



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Community Services  
**Department No.:** 057  
**For Agenda Of:** June 15, 2021  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:** N/A  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department George Chapjian, Community Services Director (805) 568-2467  
Director:  
Contact Info: Jill Van Wie, Capital Program Manager (805) 568-2470  
**SUBJECT:** New Cuyama Greenway, Project # 8664, Construction Contract Amendment No. 1, First District

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 1 (Attachment A) to the contract with Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc. ("Contractor") for the New Cuyama Greenway project ("Project") in the amount of \$42,428 for a total amended contract amount of \$392,428;
- b) Re-authorize the Director of Community Services or designee to order changes or additions in the work being performed for the Project via change orders in the amount not to exceed \$30,000 as authorized under California Public Contract Code section 20142; and
- c) Determine that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15304(a), which consists of minor alterations in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation that involves grading on lands with a slope of less than 10 percent and which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and direct staff to file the CEQA Notice of Exemption on that basis (Attachment B).

**Summary Text:**

On March 9, 2021, the Board of Supervisors awarded a \$350,000 contract to Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc to provide construction and landscaping services to enhance public green space in New Cuyama by increasing tree canopy, improving pedestrian circulation and sequestering carbon. Amendment No. 1 ratifies changes to the irrigation mainline and pedestrian

pathway previously ordered by the Director of Community Services or designee, under the authority granted by the Board on March 9, 2021 pursuant to Public Contract Code 20142. Amendment No. 1 would also provide for the installation of relocated landscaping and water retention elements to allay the planned landscaped bioswale's proximity to Highway 166. If the recommendations are adopted, the new contract amount with Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc. will be \$392,428 and does not require additional funding. The New Cuyama Greenway Project is funded by the California Natural Resource Agency's Urban Greening Program, and has been a collaborative effort between the Community Services Department's Sustainability and Park Divisions in both securing the grant funding and constructing the Project.

**Background:**

Located in the unincorporated townsite of New Cuyama, Richardson Park is one of the only active recreational park spaces within the Cuyama Valley. Richardson Park provides amenities such as a shaded barbecue area, picnic tables, a restroom and a playground. Adjacent to Richardson Park is a baseball field and skate park owned by the Cuyama Valley Recreation District. The two properties make up 28.5 acres of parkland that serve the local community and visitors traveling on State Route 166. The Project spans both properties, providing continuity and a sense of place for park users via a newly constructed 0.65-mile pedestrian pathway to connect Richardson County Park to adjacent community facilities, and 175 new drought-tolerant tree plantings.

The construction contract awarded to Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc. on March 9, 2021, was for the amount of \$350,000 and provided for the Project's construction and carbon sequestration landscape improvements. Amendment No. 1 would increase Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc.'s contract by \$42,428 in order to:

- Ratify approval of the irrigation mainline extension for additional landscaping at the south end of the Project;
- Ratify approval of vehicle rated paver installation for a section of the pedestrian pathway. The vehicle-rated pavers will allow vehicle access to a section of the Project currently being used as overflow public parking for Richardson Park; and
- Install relocated irrigation and landscaping in-lieu of a bioswale located adjacent to Highway 166. The additional landscaping is designed in a manner where the Project's water capture and retention benefits are still preserved.

The revised contract amount to Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc., inclusive of Amendment No. 1, is \$392,428, and is funded entirely by the California Natural Resource Agency's Urban Greening Program. The Project is currently under construction with anticipated completion in June 2021 plus the required 90-day landscape maintenance period.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

The total cost of the New Cuyama Greenway Project is estimated to be \$622,428, including construction and related soft costs. This Project is being funded by the California Natural Resources Agency's Urban Greening Program.

**Staffing Impacts:** None

**Special Instructions:**

After Board action, please distribute the Minute Order and Amendment No. 1 to Jill Van Wie, Community Services Department.

**Attachments:**

- A. Amendment No. 1 with Bruno Landscape Management and Construction, Inc.
- B. CEQA Notice of Exemption