

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

Agenda Date: January 18, 2022

Reviewed by: NA

**SUBJECT:** Lower Solano Avenue Curb Ramps Project (CIP No. 25011) –  
Closeout and Filing of Notice of Completion

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**SUMMARY**

Construction of the Lower Solano Avenue Curb Ramps Project (Project), Contract No. C20-65 is complete. Staff recommends that the Council authorize the City Manager to accept the improvements and file the Notice of Completion for the Project.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopt Resolution No. 2022-06:

1. Authorizing the City Manager to accept the improvements completed in Contract No. C20-65; and
2. Authorizing staff to file the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's Office.

**BACKGROUND**

In December of 2019, the Albany City Council approved a settlement agreement to resolve injunctive relief claims made under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in two pending lawsuits. The cases against the City (Galpern v. City of Albany and Saraswati v. City of Albany) both requested that the court issue an injunction ordering the City to upgrade its sidewalks, curb ramps and crosswalks to meet current ADA accessibility standards. The case settlement included a commitment to provide accessible curb ramps in the project area within two years of December 2019.

On September 21, 2020, the City Council awarded Contract No. C20-65 to Villalobos & Associates in the amount of \$401,928 to construct the Project (Resolution No. 2020-94).

**DISCUSSION**

The contractor started the project in January 2021 and has since completed the work. The completed work includes construction of 48 curb ramps on Solano Avenue from Kains Avenue to Masonic Avenue, including striping restoration and drainage improvements.

During construction, drainage improvements at the intersection of Solano Avenue and Madison Street were necessary to correct drainage deficiencies. This work was added to the contract by Change Order No. 1.

Contract No. C20-65 was awarded in the amount of \$ 401,928 and the final estimated contract amount is an increase in contract amount of \$29,953 due to Change Order No. 1. The final estimated contract price is \$431,881. Refer to Attachment 2 – Final Budget Summary for further detail.

The Project is complete, and a Notice of Completion is required to be filed with the County Recorder's office.

### **SUSTAINABILITY**

The Project supports Council's Strategic Plan in fostering a healthy and sustainable City through promoting active transportation, advancing climate action and adaptation, and increasing public health & safety.

The installation of accessibility curb ramps and improvements to roadway drainage under this Project provides greater opportunity for mobility by disabled persons, strollers, and able-bodied pedestrians in general. Greater opportunity for pedestrians further promotes non-motorized travel and reduces air emissions.

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

The budget for the Lower Solano Avenue Curb Ramps Project (CIP No. 25011) was appropriated by Council as part of the City's five-year Capital Improvement Plan as adopted in November 2020 (Resolution No. 2020-108).

The following table details the appropriated budget and funding sources for the Project:

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>FY19/20-21/22</u></b>
1405 – Community Development Block Grant	\$571,706.50
<b>Appropriations:</b>	<b>\$571,706.50</b>

The following table details the construction costs for the Project:

<b>Project Budget</b>	<b>Resolution No.</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Original Contract	2020-80	\$401,928.00
Change Order #1	-	\$29,953.00
<b>Final Contract Amount</b>	<b>2022-06</b>	<b>\$431,881.00</b>

Attachment 2 presents a Final Project Budget Summary for the project, including associated soft costs.

The contract recommended for acceptance in this staff report is within the approved project budget and no budget adjustments are needed at this time.

**Attachments:**

1. Resolution No. 2022-06
2. Final Project Budget Summary
3. Notice of Completion