



## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

**To:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**From:** Jason Simpson, City Manager

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**Date:** May 13, 2025

**Subject:** Professional Services Agreement with HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. to Provide Environmental Services for the Murrieta Creek Multi-use Trail Project

### **Recommendation**

Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$331,100 to provide environmental monitoring services for the Murrieta Creek Multi-Use Trail Project in such final form as approved by the City Attorney and authorize the City Manager to execute change orders not to exceed a 10% contingency for unanticipated costs.

### **Background**

In 2019, the City applied for and was awarded Active Transportation Program Cycle 4 grant funding to design and construct the Murrieta Creek Multi-Use Trail extending between Skylark Drive and the Lake Levee Trail. Murrieta Creek Trail is a multi-jurisdictional, active transportation trail consistent with the City's General Plan and Eastlake Specific Plan adopted in 2017.

The final design of the Murrieta Creek Multi-Use Trail project has been completed and the project will be in bid for construction. The construction contract is expected to be awarded in late Summer of 2025 with completion of construction anticipated in 2026. Due to the permanent and temporary impacts of the project, the City is required to implement the Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan as the project's mitigation.

### **Discussion**

HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. (HELIX) was the lead environmental consultant for environmental document approval and final engineering phases. HELIX will provide environmental services as part of the construction phase of the project. Scope of services consist of pre-construction surveys, environmental monitoring, implementation, maintenance, and monitoring of restoration and revegetation of temporarily impacted areas.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The Professional Services Agreement will result into a cost of \$331,100 plus an additional 10% in contingency for a not to exceed amount of \$364,210. The costs associated with this agreement are programmed within the City's CIP budget.

### **Attachments**

Attachment 1 - Agreement  
Exhibit A - Proposal