

NOT YET APPROVED

Resolution No. ____

Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute Temporary Construction Easements in the Amount of \$226,000 with the Property Owner at 475 Newell Road, Palo Alto and \$122,400 with the Property Owner at 1761 & 1767 Woodland Avenue, East Palo Alto for the Newell Road/San Francisquito Creek Bridge Replacement Project CIP Program (PE-12011).

RECITALS

A. Replacement of the Newell Road Bridge is a key element of flood control for San Francisquito Creek (“Project”).

B. To replace the Newell Road Bridge, the City needs to acquire seven temporary construction easements and one permanent easement from a total of three property owners, including the two property owners at 475 Newell Road, Palo Alto and 1761 & 1767 Woodland Avenue, East Palo Alto.

C. The appraisal process formally commenced in May 2023 to determine the fair compensation to acquire the temporary construction easements needed to complete the project. The compensation amounts are based on various factors including parcel area, project area within the parcel, the land use (multi-family, undeveloped, single family), and recent comparables.

D. The City has determined that compensation in the amounts of \$226,000 and \$122,400 for 475 Newell Road and 1761 & 1767 Woodland Avenue, respectively, is appropriate.

E. Although compensation for the easement agreements has been agreed upon, certain terms are still being negotiated.

F. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute the temporary construction easements will allow the City to expeditiously sign the agreements with the property owners when negotiations are complete.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Palo Alto RESOLVES as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or their designee is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute temporary construction easements in the amount of \$226,000 with the property owner at 475 Newell Road and \$122,400 with the property owner at 1761 & 1767 Woodland Avenue for the Newell Road/San Francisquito Creek Bridge Replacement Project CIP Program (PE-12011).

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SECTION 2. The Council finds that the adoption of this resolution does not meet the definition of a project under Public Resources Code Section 21065, thus, no environmental assessment under the California Environmental Quality Act is required.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED:

Assistant City Attorney

City Manager