



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: October 14, 2008

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administration Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Increase Of Professional Services Contract With Science Applications International Corporation By \$7,821 For Andree Clark Bird Refuge Vegetation Mapping

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorize an increase of \$7,821, for a total contract of \$49,156, for the Professional Services Contract with Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) for vegetation mapping of the Andree Clark Bird Refuge.

DISCUSSION:

On April 22, 2008, Council authorized the Parks and Recreation Director to execute a professional services agreement with SAIC in the amount of \$41,335 to provide biological and archaeological services for Parks Division projects and programs. These services include Sediment Management Plan surveys and monitoring, defensible space and vegetative fuels abatement surveys, and Andree Clark Bird Refuge Management Plan bird surveys. This work provides biological or archaeological services to meet City, federal and/or state agency requirements, long-term habitat management and information in support of Parks Division maintenance and operations work.

The initial contract with SAIC was \$41,335. Since that time, the Parks Division has determined the need to prepare detailed mapping of aquatic and terrestrial vegetation at the Bird Refuge as part of developing a long-term management plan. Vegetation mapping will provide a baseline map that illustrates existing conditions in the Bird Refuge, including the species and location of native and non-native terrestrial and aquatic vegetation.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The cost to complete the vegetation mapping is \$7,821. With the proposed mapping project, the total cost of the professional services contract with SAIC will increase from \$41,335 to \$49,156. There are sufficient funds in the Parks and Recreation Department's Fiscal Year 2009 Capital Program for this project.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

Developing a long-range management plan for the Bird Refuge that addresses water quality, habitat restoration, and special-status species protection is a high priority for the Parks and Recreation Department and is consistent with the City's Sustainability Program.

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