

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - ____

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT WITH WEST COAST ARBORIST, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$201,600, FOR REMOVAL OF EUCALYPTI ON CRYSTAL SPRINGS ROAD FROM DONNER AVENUE, WESTBOUND TO THE WEST END OF THE RECREATION AND AQUATIC CENTER CONSTRUCTION SITE

WHEREAS, During the recent Winter Storm event, there have been failures of a variety of tree species throughout the City, including numerous eucalypti; and

WHEREAS, There have been four eucalypti failures during the recent 2023 Winter Storm event on San Bruno Avenue and Sneath Avenue; and two large eucalypti on Crystal Springs Road, in late 2021 causing extended road closures and obstruction of major evacuation routes within the City; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the threat of failure due to the age, size, and shallow root structure of eucalypti in these locations, eucalypti pose a significant fire hazard; and

WHEREAS, The areas on both sides of Crystal Springs Road from Donner Avenue westbound to the County Open Space has been designated as an "extra hazardous fire condition" by the City of San Bruno Fire Chief and Fire Marshal, as many of the eucalypti are within 100 feet of City and private structures; and

WHEREAS, Removal of these trees is recommended to reduce the risk of fire spread to these adjacent properties, and to mitigate obstruction of evacuation routes in a catastrophic event; and

WHEREAS, On October 12, 2022, the City entered into a four-year agreement with West Coast Arborist, Inc for Annual Pruning and Pollarding of Street Trees and Tree Removal Related to Fire and Hazard Mitigation in an amount not to exceed \$1,093,465; and

WHEREAS, The first year of the agreement with West Coast Arborist, Inc. includes \$217,500 for the Annual Pruning and Pollarding of Street Trees; and \$40,000 for Tree Removal Related to Fire and Hazard Mitigation; and

WHEREAS, Staff received a quote from West Coast Arborist, Inc. for removal of approximately 30 eucalypti on both sides of Crystal Springs Road from Donner Avenue westbound to the west end of the Recreation and Aquatic Center construction site, in the amount of \$201,600, exceeding the amount for Fire and Hazard Mitigation in the first year of West Coast Arborist, Inc.'s four-year contract; and

WHEREAS, Due to the location of the trees proposed for removal, and their threat to the Recreation and Aquatic Center in the event of a failure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to amend the Agreement with West Coast Arborist in an amount not to exceed \$201,600, for removal of eucalypti on Crystal Springs Road from Donner Avenue, westbound to the west end of the Recreation and Aquatic Center construction site.

Dated: January 24, 2023

ATTEST:

Lupita Huerta, City Clerk

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I, Lupita Huerta, City Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of San Bruno this 24th day of January 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: _____

NOES: Councilmembers _____

ABSENT: Councilmembers: _____