

RESOLUTION NO. 28769

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A MATCHING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE SONOMA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR THE LOWER COLGAN CREEK RESTORATION - PHASE 2 PROJECT

WHEREAS, in accordance with the voter-approved Expenditure Plan, the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District (District) has established a competitive Matching Grant Program (Program) for projects that provide open space, community recreation, and/or public access opportunities within and near incorporated areas and other urbanized area of Sonoma County; and

WHEREAS, the District released Guidelines and Application Materials for the 2016 round of funding; and

WHEREAS, the Water Department has identified construction of the Lower Colgan Creek Restoration – Phase 2 (Project) as a priority project to implement the City’s 2035 General Plan Chapter 7-3 Biological Resources and Waterways and Citywide Creek Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that the Project meets the criteria for the District’s Matching Grant Program as a restoration project and will provide approximately 1,900 linear feet of restored creek habitat and pedestrian pathway; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Program requires applicants to provide the equivalent of a one-to-one match for the project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa has secured \$941,224 in matching funds from the California Department of Water Resources’ Urban Streams Restoration Program; and

WHEREAS, the total Project costs for the implementation of the project is estimated at \$2,535,632; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the City and Sonoma County Water Agency will operate and maintain the Project site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa hereby finds, determines, declares, and orders as follows:

1. The foregoing recitations are true and correct;
2. The Project is consistent with the City’s 2035 General Plan;
3. If awarded funding, the City of Santa Rosa has available \$532,390 in matching funds to complete the project from the California Department of Water Resources’ Urban Streams Restoration Program;

4. The City of Santa Rosa has available sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project, if awarded;
5. The City of Santa Rosa has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the provisions contained in the Program Guidelines;
6. The City of Santa Rosa acknowledges that if the Project is funded, it will be required to comply with all federal, state and local laws;
7. A matching grant application to the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District for construction of the Lower Colgan Creek Restoration – Phase 2 Project in the amount of \$532,390 is approved and the Director of Santa Rosa Water (Director) is authorized to submit a grant application; and
8. The Director is authorized to accept the grant and conduct all negotiations and submit and sign all documents, including but not limited to, application, matching grant agreement, conservation easement, recreation covenant, irrevocable offer of dedication, amendments, reimbursement requests and so on, which may be necessary for completion of the Project, subject to approval by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to increase appropriations to JL Key 54024 Lower Colgan Creek Restoration Phase 2 by the approved grant amount.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 19th day of April, 2016.

AYES: (4) Mayor Sawyer, Council Members Coursey, Olivares, Wysocky

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (3) Vice Mayor Schwedhelm, Council Members Carlstrom, Combs

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
Interim City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney