

City of Calistoga

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Derek Rayner, Deputy Public Works Director
VIA: Michael Kirn, Public Works Director/City Engineer
DATE: July 19, 2016
SUBJECT: Consideration of a Resolution Accepting as Complete the Grant Street Drainage Improvements Project Constructed by Argonaut Constructors and Authorizing the Public Works Director to File a Notice of Completion

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



DYLAN FEIK, CITY MANAGER

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2 **ISSUE:** Consideration of a Resolution that:

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4 1. Accepts as complete the Grant Street Drainage Improvements Project
5 constructed by Argonaut Constructors.
6 2. Authorizes the Public Works Director to file a notice of completion with the Napa
7 County Recorder.
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9 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the Resolution.

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11 **BACKGROUND:** On July 21, 2015 City Council awarded a contract to Argonaut
12 Constructors to construct the Grant Street Drainage Improvements Project.

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14 On April 15, 2016 the construction of the Grant Street Drainage Improvements Project
15 was determined to be substantially complete and constructed in conformance with
16 approved plans and specifications.
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18 **DISCUSSION:** This project addressed a long standing localized flooding problem by
19 enlarging the culvert crossing Grant Street, enlarging the Golf Course Ditch and making
20 improvements to certain storm drain facilities at Maggie St.

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22 One item that arose during the rainy season while construction was suspended was
23 erosion of the drainage ditch that crosses the Golf Course. This erosion wasn't a result
24 of faulty construction. The job was bid late in the construction season, with the intention
25 to build the drainage improvements prior to the anticipated heavy rains associated with
26 El Nino. Due to the tight schedule before winter, Argonaut was not able to complete all
27 the work within the channel prior to winter rains, and staff had to suspend work due to
28 poor weather. During the contract suspension, heavy rains and runoff occurred in the
29 channel and damaged a few areas where full establishment of vegetation had not
30 occurred. Permanent channel repairs will need to be completed prior to this fall.

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32 Staff requested a quote from Argonaut for the permanent repair. Argonaut quoted
33 \$55,605, which staff felt was unreasonable for the scope of work required, and
34 proceeded to request additional quotes from three other contractors (Granite, Harold
35 Smith and Allard General Engineering). These bids ranged between \$87K to \$27K; with
36 the apparent low bidder being Allard GE.

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38 Staff believes the bid of \$27,125 reflects an appropriate level of effort needed to make
39 the permanent repairs. Staff will be preparing a purchase order for the City Manager to
40 sign and execute as allowed by the Municipal Code.

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42 Staff recommends that the project constructed by Argonaut Constructors be accepted
43 as complete.

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45 **FISCAL IMPACT:**

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47 The Grant Street Drainage Improvement Project was funded entirely by Measure A
48 monies. A total of \$1,042,901 was authorized to be funded by Measure A. Council
49 authorized Notice of Award (NOA) in the amount of \$1,032,300. Measure A
50 authorization was higher (+\$10,000 more) to cover some permitting and survey costs
51 that occurred during design.

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53 The total cost of the Grant Street Drainage Improvement Project was:
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Item	Cost	Percent of Measure A
Argonaut – “Contract Low Bid”	\$938,450	90%
Argonaut Change Orders Total	\$25,396	2.4%
Permanent Repair (estimated w/contingency)	\$35,000	3.4%
Grand Total	\$998,846	96%

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56 The change orders were within the NOA, authorized by City Council for the Public
57 Works Director to approve. All costs will be funded by Measure A, including permanent
58 repair. Total Change Orders, including repair were held to around 6%, which is
59 considered successful for construction projects, and within the original 10% contingency
60 allowance.

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62 **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 63 1. Resolution
64 2. Notice of Completion

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-XXX

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA,
COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING AS COMPLETE
THE GRANT STREET DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT CONSTRUCTED BY
ARGONAUT CONSTRUCTORS, AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS
DIRECTOR TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION**

WHEREAS, the City of Calistoga entered into a contract on July 21, 2015 with Argonaut Constructors for the Grant Street Drainage Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, Argonaut Constructors substantially completed the work required by the contract on April 15, 2016, to the satisfaction of the City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to accept the Project as complete.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council of the City of Calistoga hereby accepts as complete the work for the Grant Street Drainage Improvement Project constructed by Argonaut Constructors.
2. The Public Works Director is authorized to file a Notice of Completion with the Napa County Recorder.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this **19th day of July, 2016**, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

CHRIS CANNING, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Flamson, City Clerk