

City of Calistoga

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Dylan Feik, City Manager
DATE: May 1, 2018
SUBJECT: Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a Public Works Contract with Heavenly Greens in the amount of \$115,814 for installation of artificial lawn at Pioneer Park, Authorizing a Budget Adjustment in the Amount of \$115,814, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Contract.

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



Dylan Feik, City Manager

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

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4 1. Authorizes a Public Works Agreement with Heavenly Greens in an amount not to
5 exceed \$115,814 for installation of artificial lawn at Pioneer Park
6 2. Approves a Budget Adjustment in the amount of \$155,814 derived from the
7 general fund unassigned fund balance, Account No. 01-5563-4915.
8 3. Authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute the Public Works Contract on
9 behalf of the City of Calistoga.

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11 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the Resolution.

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13 **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:** In Summer 2017, Friends of Pioneer Park, a local non-
14 profit organization, installed new sod at Pioneer Park. In addition, new planting areas,
15 irrigation and wood chips were installed to beautify the park area. The new sod was
16 installed approximately seven (7) weeks before local activities began taking place in the
17 park. Once local activities began, the new sod began to show signs of damage due to
18 excessive use, heat and other challenges. Staff, Friends of Pioneer Park, Calistoga
19 Chamber of Commerce and area contractors began discussing possible solutions.

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Due to increased use of the park both now and in the future, staff is recommending an artificial lawn solution. Staff solicited bids from area vendors specializing in installation of artificial lawn solutions. Heavenly Greens, based out of San Jose, provides a product designed to duplicate the look, feel and working conditions of real grass. Instead of a dense, abrasive rug, grass-like fiber surfaces are similar to soft blades of grass. Residents can slide, play, fall and tumble on the artificial lawn without fear of abrasions.

As the City continues planning efforts around Pioneer Park and Sharpsteen Plaza, it is anticipated the 8,819 square foot lawn area at Pioneer Park to experience increased traffic and use. A cost-effective solution with low maintenance and low water demand should be considered.

Staff has reviewed the proposal from Heavenly Greens and finds it addresses the work needed and recommends a Public Works Contractual Agreement be authorized. The proposal, as presented, is for \$115,814 and recommends that the City Manager be authorized to enter into an agreement in an amount not to exceed \$115,814. The scope of work is as follows –

1. Heavenly Greens to remove and haul away up to 4” of grass and dirt.
2. Heavenly Greens to install 2” x 4” synthetic nailer board to anchor turf.
3. Heavenly Greens to install ¼” galvanized steel gopher wire.
4. Heavenly Greens to install up to 3” of compacted/permeable Class II base rock.
5. Heavenly Greens to install 2” x 4” synthetic bender board for edging/tree ring.
6. Heavenly Greens to install Fescue synthetic turf with sand infill.
7. Heavenly Greens to power brush the turf after infill is installed.
8. Heavenly Greens to clean up area after installation is complete.

Heavenly Greens provides an 8-year warranty on their product and has guaranteed installation will be completed before June 14th, 2018 which is the first official event in the annual “Concerts in the Park” series.

COUNCIL GOALS: The project conforms to Council Goal 6: Create an Environmentally-sustainable Community; Objective 1: Implement “green” environmental sustainability policies and initiatives.

CEQA REVIEW: The recommended action is not a project as defined by CEQA and will provide the necessary CEQA documentation to allow construction of the Pedestrian Bridge.

FISCAL IMPACT: Staff is recommending a budget adjustment for FY 2017/18 in the amount of \$115,814 from the unassigned general fund balance to account number 01-5563-4915, Pioneer Park Landscaping Project.

64 Friends of Pioneer Park has been asked to contribute \$35,000 for the project and will be
65 considering a request from the City at its upcoming board meeting.

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67 Staff is also recommending use of \$40,000 from a settlement agreement related to
68 improvements at the Monhoff Center. At the time Council approved the settlement (RES
69 2018-013), City Council expressed a desire to direct those funds toward a project
70 benefitting Calistoga residents. This project could be considered.

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72 **ATTACHMENTS:**

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74 1. Resolution

75 2. Heavenly Greens Proposal

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018- XXX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CONDITIONALLY AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO HEAVENLY GREENS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$115,814 FOR INSTALLATION OF ARTIFICIAL LAWN AT PIONEER PARK APPROVING A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$115,814 FOR CIP PROJECT 01-5563-4915 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, Pioneer Park has been one of the City’s premiere park area commonly used by residents, providing an important location for outdoor and community recreation activities; and

WHEREAS, the City’s partnership efforts to improve the park include a new gazebo, landscaping, irrigation and new playground improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires further amenities at this park to support outdoor recreation and use; and

WHEREAS, a request for bids was circulated in April 2018 and one was received by the City from Heavenly Greens in the amount of \$115,814; and

WHEREAS, City staff has confirmed that the bid from Heavenly Greens satisfies the bidding requirements for the Project as described; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that the bid be awarded to Heavenly Greens in the amount of \$115,814.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Calistoga as follows:

1. Authorizes a Public Works Agreement with Heavenly Greens in an amount not to exceed \$115,814 for installation of artificial lawn at Pioneer Park
2. Approves a Budget Adjustment in the amount of \$155,814 derived from the general fund unassigned fund balance, Account No. 01-5563-4915.
3. Authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute the Public Works Contract on behalf of the City of Calistoga.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this **1st day of May 2018**, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

CHRIS CANNING, Mayor

ATTEST:

KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk