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County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department
Date: November 1, 2016

Subject: Tassajara Parks Environmental Impact Report Contract Amendment

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to execute a contract amendment with First Carbon Solutions, to increase the payment limit by \$71,385 to a new payment limit of \$404,424 with no change to the term of September 10, 2014 through September 9, 2018, for services required to prepare the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (RDEIR) for the Tassajara Parks Project in the Tassajara Valley (San Ramon area).

FISCAL IMPACT:

No impact. The applicant is responsible for paying the costs of the additional work to evaluate the impacts of the project.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Conservation and Development contracted with First Carbon Solutions in September of 2014 to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Tassajara Parks Project. The project involves construction of a 125 unit residential subdivision and includes substantial dedication of park land in the Tassajara Valley / San Ramon area. The project requires approval of General Plan Amendment, Rezoning, Subdivision, and

☒ APPROVE
 ☐ OTHER
☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR
 ☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/01/2016** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
 Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
 Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
 Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
 Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 1, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Development Plan applications.

The County released a RDEIR on September 29, 2016 for a 45 day public comment period. During the public comment period on the initial Draft EIR substantial new information arose regarding the Water Supply Evaluation dated December 2015, upon which the Draft EIR relied for analysis of impacts to utilities and service systems.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

A lead agency is required to recirculate an EIR when significant new information regarding the project is added to the EIR after public notice of availability of the Draft EIR and before certification. Additionally, the RDEIR has been updated to include a more detailed project description and clarification, as appropriate, related to anesthetics, agricultural resources, air quality, biology, geology and transportation.

First Carbon Solutions has identified additional tasks necessary to complete the RDEIR, that include project management, incorporation of the Memorandum of Understanding in the project topic areas and the response to comments. This is the fourth budget amendment. The increased payment limit is necessary to cover the additional work. There is no change to the term of the contract which is valid until September 9, 2018.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the Board does not authorize the EIR contract amendment, there would not be sufficient funds for First Carbon Solutions to complete the EIR.