

STAFF REPORT 2/26/2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Andrew Simmons, P.E., City Engineer

SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Albert A. Webb

Associates for an amount of \$174,490 to provide design services for Rancho Las

Flores Park Expansion – City Project P-31.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment #1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Albert A. Webb Associates for an amount of \$174,490 to provide design services for Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion – City Project P-31.

BACKGROUND:

On September 8, 2021, the City of Coachella was awarded a Statewide Park Program grant in the amount of \$8,454,600 for a new park. The City's original park site location was on Avenue 52 between La Ponderosa Drive and Hernandez Street for Central Park. After the award, Central Park was deemed ineligible for the grant funds due to eminent domain proceedings for a portion of the park land. City Staff worked cooperatively with Statewide Parks program staff to evaluate alternative park locations within the City that would qualify for the awarded grant. The expansion of Rancho Las Flores Park was eligible for the entire grant amount and the award was transferred for the expansion of Rancho Las Flores Park.

The project will include many new amenities and open spaces for all age groups including the City's first dog park, an amphitheater, splash pad, sports courts, playground equipment and fitness equipment. There will also be walking paths, open green space and a café building. The park will be complimented by landscaping and lighting throughout the park. The expansion will complete the remaining land at Rancho Las Flores Park.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

On July 26, 2023 City Council authorized an agreement with Albert A. Webb Associates for professional landscape architecture design services for Central Park. The change in project location added additional design services and time needed to complete the design. Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion is more than twice the area of Central Park and therefore requires additional design services as described in the request for contract amendment. City Staff recommends authorizing

amendment #1 for these additional landscape architecture design services for Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for these services will be reimbursed by Prop 68. No fiscal impact to FY 24/25 budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement
- 2. Amendment Proposal