



STAFF REPORT
6/10/2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Lincoln Bogard, Interim City Manager

PREPARED BY: Andrew Simmons, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer

SUBJECT: Design/Build Contract with Bergman Construction in the amount of \$4,896,981 plus \$816,188 for contingency for the Design and Construction of the Bagdouma Wellness Center Project, City Project No. F-37.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize Interim City Manager to execute a Design/Build Contract with Bergman Construction in the amount \$4,896,981 plus \$816,188 contingency for the Design and Construction of the Bagdouma Wellness Center Project, City Project No. F-37.

BACKGROUND:

On February 10, 2025, the City of Coachella entered into a standard agreement with the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) for the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) grant award in the amount of \$22,125,000. The Coachella Prospera initiative is comprised of multiple projects to be implemented in a five-square mile area in the selected areas of the City, and each project and plan is led by a partnering organization in support of a shared vision of climate resiliency. As a part of this initiative, the City is the lead in several of these projects.

The Bagdouma Wellness Center Project will transform the existing Community Center at Bagdouma Park into a revitalized space to offer additional programming through the Desert Recreation District. The project will be completed in two phases. The first phase will include renovation of the existing building including upgrades to the existing building and creating a more open space for an improved layout. The second phase will include approximately 1,500 square foot expansion and an outdoor recreation area.

As a Design/Build Contract, the selected firm will provide complete plans and specification for the project and the construction. This will allow City Staff and Desert Recreation District (DRD) to perform public outreach with the design/build team dynamically. As a City led project, the City building and engineering permit fees will be waived. The City will provide costs for additional permits, as needed for the project including environmental and fire.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The City requested public Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Design/Build of the Bagdouma Wellness Center Project in accordance with City standards and in compliance with the California Public Contract Code. The City received three qualification proposals and all three were reviewed and selected to submit a proposal. On March 16, 2026, the City issued the Notice Inviting Bids to the three qualified bidders. The project bids were due on April 16, 2026 at 2:00 P.M. Staff reviewed the proposals and evaluated based on experience, schedule, and familiarity with the area and project. As a result, Bergman Construction was selected as the top firm for this project.

Company Name:	Average Rank:
Bergman Construction	90.75
Core Construction	83.25
KYA Services	73.25

Bergman Construction was selected based on an evaluation of all proposals and received the highest score due to their knowledge and understanding of the project, experience with similar projects and their proposed schedule and budget that will meet the grant deadline and is within the project budget. The total project cost, including construction and contingency is as follows:

Project Item:	Project Cost:
Construction	\$ 4,896,981
Design/Construction Contingency	\$ 816,188
TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$ 5,713,169

ENVIRONMENTAL:

This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Class I – Existing Facilities Categorical Exemption which includes the operation, repair , maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Subsection (e) includes: *Additions to existing structures provided that the addition will not result in an increase of more than:*

- (1) 50 percent of the floor area of the structures before the addition, or 2,500 square feet, whichever is less.*

With this action, City Council authorizes City Clerk to file the attached Notice of Exemption.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The project has been included in the City’s CIP FY 26/27 budget. The contract amount of \$4,896,981 and contingency in an amount of \$816,188 will be funded by the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) – Transformative Climate Communities Program Implementation Grant.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Construction Contract for Bergman Construction
2. Bergman Construction Proposal
3. Notice of Exemption