

Bridge Park Stormwater and Green Infrastructure Project
Resolution Authorizing the Town of Sylva Board of Commissioners to Award the Contract Authorizing
the Town Mayor to Execute the Contract with Buchanan and Sons, Inc.

WHEREAS, The Town of Sylva Board of Commissioners acknowledges that Scott Creek is an impaired waterway, and slowing, treating and cooling stormwater prior to entering the creek is desired; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sylva Board of Commissioners fully support a Bridge Park Stormwater project, which will result in the improvements to Bridge Park, parking facilities, stormwater infrastructure and connections to natural assets at 77 Railroad Avenue; and

WHEREAS, this is a green infrastructure improvement project located at Bridge Park in the heart of Sylva to include the development of a planted bioretention swale to filter stormwater, a new paved parking area with designated wheel stops, two ADA parking spaces, a concrete pedestrian walkway, benches, picnic tables, and a small deck overlooking Scott Creek to provide amenities for park users; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the Town of Sylva to complete Bridge Park green infrastructure improvements to serve residents and visitors of the Town; and

Whereas, requests for sealed bids were solicited from interested companies who attended a pre-bid conference October 6, 2023; and

Whereas, on October 25, 2023, the Town of Sylva only received sealed bids from two (2) agencies, therefore the Town was required to re-bid the project; and

Whereas, on November 3, 2023, after the project was re-bid for a seven (7) day requirement, the Town of Sylva received and opened sealed bids from two (2) agencies and BH Graning Landscapes, Inc. was the lowest bid at \$738,433.57; and

Whereas, the Town did not receive a HUB Certificate from BH Graning Landscapes, Inc. and is required to go with the next lowest responsible bidder of Buchanan and Sons, Inc. and their proposal was selected and recommended for approval; and

Whereas, the Town of Sylva will enter into an agreement pending a final reference check and recommendation from staff; and

Whereas, the Town of Sylva will be entering into an agreement in the amount not to exceed \$749,360 to complete the Bridge Park stormwater and green infrastructure improvements; and

Now Therefore Be it Resolved, the Town of Sylva Board of Commissioners awards the contract to Buchanan and Sons, Inc. and authorizes the Town of Sylva Mayor to enter into a contract with Buchanan and Sons, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$749,360 to complete the green infrastructure improvements at Bridge Park. Furthermore, funding for the contract will come from a combination of Fund Balance using funds set aside for ARPA-related projects and JCTDA Grant funds.

Approved this the 9th day of November 2023 in Sylva, North Carolina.

David Nestler, Mayor

Amanda W. Murajda, Town Clerk