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Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

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Title: **C1817 West River Street Park - Budget Amendment for Slope Stability Work Between DEWBEYÚMUWE? PARK and the Truckee River**

Jen Callaway, Town Manager

Recommended Action: That Council: (1) Increase FY 25/26 C1817 West River Street Park budget by \$76,430 to a total of \$4,527,430; (2) Authorize the Town Engineer to execute a change order with Ruppert Inc. for \$383,169 for slope stabilization work between DEWBEYÚMUWE? Park and the Truckee River, for a new contract total of \$3,147,185; (3) Authorize the Town Engineer to amend the contract with Construction Materials Engineers, Inc. (CME) for \$43,730 for construction management services related to slope stabilization, for a new total of \$330,038; (4) Authorize the Town Engineer to approve contract change orders, unit quantity changes, and alternative means-and-methods up to \$40,000.

Discussion:

During the April 23, 2024, Town Council meeting, Council awarded the C1817 West River Street Park (DEWBEYÚMUWE? PARK) construction contract to Ruppert, Inc. The project consisted of regrading of the property located at 10257 West River Street (on the corner of West River Street and Mill Street), construction of paver paths and overlooks, landscaping, lighting, irrigation, and a public restroom. At the September 24, 2024, Town Council meeting, engineering staff recommended additional slope stabilization work between the planned DEWBEYÚMUWE? PARK, and the Truckee River be added to the construction contract for the park project. Town Council directed staff to pursue the additional slope stabilization work and staff has completed the slope stabilization design and is in the process of obtaining final approval of all necessary regulatory permits. Attached Exhibit A presents the engineering plan sheets for the additional work which consists of trash and debris removal, regrading, slope stabilization, installation of boulders, revegetation, soil management, and stormwater protection.

Priority:

<input type="checkbox"/> Enhanced Communication	<input type="checkbox"/> Climate and Greenhouse Gas Reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure Investment	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency and Wildfire Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> Core Service

Fiscal Impact:

At the September 24, 2024, Town Council meeting, staff identified that the additional work was expected to cost approximately \$500,000. Table 1 shows the total cost estimated for the additional work as being \$496,474 not including any additional contingency expenses that may be necessary for project completion. \$69,574.78 of those expenses are related to design and permitting and have already been expended. As a result, there is an estimated \$426,899 of additional expenditure necessary to complete the project. Staff would recommend that for budget purposes, this number be increased by an additional \$40,000 to cover any unexpected costs that could be associated with unanticipated soil conditions or other contingency related expenses.

Table 1. Estimated Costs for Slope Stabilization Work

Item	Expenditure	Estimated Cost	Total Costs
Design and Permitting	\$69,575		\$69,575
Slope Stabilization Construction Work (trash removal, grading, rip rap, revegetation, stormwater, and soil management) <i>See Attachment B</i>		\$383,169	\$383,169
Construction Management <i>See Attachment C</i>		\$43,730	\$43,730
Total	\$69,574.78	\$426,899	\$496,474

The combination of the FY 24/25, and FY 25/26 budget for this project currently has \$390,469 in unexpended funds. Comparing this to the recommended \$466,889 budget amount results in a recommendation to increase the project budget by \$76,430 from the general fund. Of that amount, \$36,430 would be committed for expenditure by the actions recommended in this staff report, and the remaining \$40,000 would only be utilized if additional out of scope work is identified through the remaining construction activities.

Public Communication: For the DEWBEYÚMUWE? PARK project, communications include the Planning Commission meeting on November 21, 2023, Community Meeting on January 8, 2024 ([West River Street Park Community Meeting - Zoom](#)), Town Council meeting on January 23, 2024, and the September 24, 2024 meeting where Town Council directed staff to pursue the additional slope stabilization. Staff also met with representatives from the Truckee River Watershed Council and appropriate regulatory entities regarding the proposed scope of the slope stabilization work. The DEWBEYÚMUWE? PARK has been under development for over a decade and since 2011 there have been at least 16 public meetings or workshops in addition to a community survey.

Attachments:

Attachment A - WEST RIVER ST PARK GRADING PLANS 3-10-25

Attachment B – Draft Ruppert Inc. Contract Change Order #17

Attachment C – CME Scope of Work and Estimate