

CONSENT CALENDAR April 27, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: Liam Garland, Director, Public Works

Subject: Contract No. 32000147 Amendment: Trip Stop Sidewalk Repair, Inc. for FY

2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services Project

### RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute amendment to Contract No. 32000147 with Trip Stop Sidewalk Repair, Inc. for FY2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services, increasing the original contract amount by \$1,000,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,450,000 and extend the term by two years for a revised contract expiration date of March 9, 2024.

# FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding for this contract amendment is from the annual sidewalk program budget and is available in Fiscal Year 2021. No other funding is required, and no other projects will be delayed due to this expenditure.

### FY 2021 Funding:

State Transportation Fund	\$225,000
Measure BB Sales Tax)	
Capital Improvement Fund	\$437,837
Total cost	\$1,000,000
Original Contract.	\$450,000
Original ContractThis Amendment	\$450,000 \$1,000,000

### **CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS**

This contract amendment is essential to continue cost effective repairs of displaced and/or uplifted sidewalks that pose urgent trip hazards to the public. Trip Stop Sidewalk Repair, Inc. (Trip Stop) has completed over 6,700 shave repairs at approximately 900 different addresses (see Attachment 2, Shave Locations). In addition to working on locations that were on the 50-50 Sidewalk Program waiting list, staff directed Trip Stop to take advantage of the reduced pedestrian traffic due to COVID-19 to perform repairs in the typically high pedestrian sidewalks in the downtown area, and along Telegraph, College, Shattuck, and University Avenues. The shaving program has reduced the 50-

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50 backlog by approximately 15%. It is anticipated that this amendment will provide an additional 20% to 30% reduction.

The FY 2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services is a Strategic Plan Priority Project, advancing our goal to provide state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The City proactively and responsively inspects sidewalks in the public right of way (including curbs, gutters, and curb ramps) for the purpose of identifying unsafe sidewalks or ramps that pose trip hazards. Areas in need of immediate repair or replacement are identified by Public Works staff for scheduled work, or repaired and/or replaced through contracts administered by Public Works.

In October 2011, the City established a sidewalk repair and replacement program to improve the quality of Berkeley's sidewalks. There are over 300 miles of concrete sidewalk within the city limits and approximately twenty miles of that amount is sufficiently damaged to justify permanent replacement at estimated cost of \$7 million dollars. The City currently shares sidewalk replacement costs with property owners on a 50-50 basis, irrespective of the cause of the deterioration. Concrete sidewalk replacement, however, may only occur on a "funds-available" basis, which has resulted in a ten year backlog of customers awaiting replacement. As an alternative, the Department of Public Works has evaluated the concrete cutting or shaving process and determined it is a lasting and cost effective means of repairing displaced and/or uplifted sidewalks that pose urgent trip hazards to the public.

Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) were issued on August 26, 2020 (Specification No. 20-11345-C) seeking qualified firms or individuals to provide citywide sidewalk inspection and shaving services for the City's Sidewalk Program to address uplifted sidewalks that pose trip hazards to the public throughout the City. On December 3, 2019 by Resolution No. 69,195-N.S. the City council authorized Contract No. 32000147 with Trip Stop in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**

The City's sidewalk repair program is a component of the City's climate action plan, as well maintained sidewalks help to facilitate safe walking, which is a healthy and clean form of transportation. In addition, there are environmental benefits to be realized from concrete grinding and shaving versus full sidewalk replacement, which creates significant amounts of waste we deliver to landfills. Further, concrete grinding and shaving necessitates production of far less cement and lowers total greenhouse gas emissions and fuel costs compared with full sidewalk replacement.

### RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Contract Amendment: Contract No. 32000147 Trip Stop Sidewalk Repair, Inc. for the FY2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services Project CONSENT CALENDAR April 27, 2021

This sidewalk repair project is part of the City's ongoing annual program to rehabilitate deteriorated sidewalks throughout the City. The work requires contracted services, as the City does not possess the in-house labor or equipment resources necessary to complete the project

### ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Council could choose not to amend this contract, in which case, the progress of planned sidewalk repairs would be delayed.

# **CONTACT PERSON**

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#### Attachments:

- 1: Resolution
- 2: June 2020 Trip Stop Shave Locations

# RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 32000147 AMENDMENT: TRIP STOP SIDEWALK REPAIR, INC. FOR FY 2020 SIDEWALK INSPECTION AND SHAVING SERVICES PROJECT

WHEREAS, the FY2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services Project, Specification No. 20-11345-C is part of the City's ongoing Sidewalk Capital Improvement Program to address uplifted sidewalks that pose trip hazards to the public on sidewalks located throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2019 the City released a Request for Qualifications for the FY2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services Project, Specification No. 20-11345-C seeking firms to provide inspection, analysis, and concrete shaving services; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2019 by Resolution No. 69,195-N.S., the City Council authorized Contract No. 32000147 with Trip Stop Sidewalk Repair, Inc. for FY 2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services, in an amount not to exceed \$450,000; and

WHEREAS, the City has neither the labor nor the equipment necessary to undertake this FY2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services Project; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the State Transportation Fund 127, Measure BB Sales Tax Fund 134 and the Capital Improvement Fund 501, in the FY 2021 budget.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to the Contract No. 32000147 with Trip Stop Sidewalk Repair, Inc. for FY 2020 Sidewalk Inspection and Shaving Services increasing the amount by \$1,000,000 for a total not to exceed \$1,450,000 and extend the contract by two years. A record signature copy of said contract and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

