



CITY OF SEBASTOPOL CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM REPORT FOR MEETING OF:

December 2, 2025

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To: Budget Committee Councilmembers

From: Erik Billing, Public Works Supervisor
Toni Bertolero, Public Works Engineer

Subject: Ives Park Calder Creek Repair Project

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The item is to request Council adopt a resolution for a budget adjustment adding \$6,000 to the Capital Improvement Project for the Ives Park Calder Creek Repair to increase the total for the project from \$64,400 to \$70,400. The funding source is Building/Facilities/Infrastructure Reserves Fund 103.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Ives Park Calder Creek Repair Project, for the design, permitting and construction of a trenchless repair of the 60-inch corrugated metal storm drain pipe located in Ives Park. Under the State Public Contract Code and the City's Purchasing Policy #89, public projects under \$75,000 do not have to be publicly bid but can be performed under negotiated contract. The City has selected Miksis Services, Inc., to perform the work because of their experience with this type of repair and their reliable, long-standing work history with the City. The projects increased costs are due to changes required by the California State Water Board and weather conditions.

The proposed budget amendment cost summary is shown in Table 1:

Table 1 – Cost Summary

Description	Amount
Approved Amount	\$64,400.
Additional Work	\$6,000.
Total	\$70,400.

BACKGROUND:

On April 25, 2025, a large sinkhole was found in an asphalt pathway that crosses Calder Creek in Ives Park. Upon examination, it was found that the structure of the base of the large 60-inch diameter by 30-foot length corrugated metal pipe (CMP) was compromised. This caused the fill and soil beneath the pipe to wash down Calder Creek and the fill above the pipe to slip into the void which resulted in unsupported asphalt in the pathway. The CMP that needs repair is directly in line with the flow of Calder Creek. The sink hole was determined to be a risk for public safety and covered with large steel plates.

DISUSSION:

Due to the urgency of the situation, Miksis Services was retained to perform a trenchless repair of the CMP. The repair consists of a cinderblock wall to keep the water held upstream with two 8" diversion pipes. Once the CMP is in a dry environment, the repair to the floor of the CMP could begin. Public Works staff removed some of the backfill surrounding the CMP and patch paving the area with asphalt to temporarily repair the area to alleviate public safety concerns.



Public Works requested the Contractor to inspect the CMP pipeline and recommend a repair. The Contractor submitted a scope of services and a construction cost estimate on May 19, 2025, in the amount of approximately \$31,500. The work began on June 16, 2025, and shortly after work began, the Contractor modified the temporary precautionary measures to comply with a request from the State Water Board. In addition, staff is acquiring permits with California Fish and Wildlife, United States Army Corps, and the State Water Board. There is no cost for Fish and Wildlife and Army Corps permits. The State Water Board permit is a fee of \$4,212. Permit applications were submitted on August 18, 2025. Due to the temporary measures and the added costs from work requirements from the resource agencies, the construction cost increased over the contingency amount included in the original approved amount. In addition, the resource agencies also required engineered design and drawings for the repair adding to the cost of the project.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

The work performed by the Contractor was the installation of a temporary dam and two (2) internal bypass pipes, patching the CMP in the corroded areas, installing wire mesh and regrouting the bottom half of the pipe.

At the time, due to the concerns with the sink hole creating a public safety issue, it was the Public Works Director/City Engineer's determination that this project is an emergency repair and under the City's purchasing policy and under State Public Contract Code, could be performed immediately. Furthermore, it is critical that the work be completed before the start of the rainy season. The temporary measures would not be able to withstand impacts from measurable rain.

When the repair was initiated, the work was observed by a Water Board staff and it was determined that permits are required. With the permitting requirements, the work could not continue and temporary measures were placed to prevent degradation to the creek.

CITY COUNCIL GOALS/PRIORITIES/AND OR GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY:

This agenda represents the City Council goals/priorities as follows:

- Goal 3 – Infrastructure. Maintaining high quality infrastructure, facilities and services includes repairing/replacing outdated city facilities, improving streets, stormwater and wastewater infrastructure.

This agenda item represents the City Council General Plan Consistency (if applicable):

- Conservation and Open Space (COS 3-3): Support rehabilitation of any culverted or open existing channel and the natural water table.
- The Planning Commission made a finding of General Plan Consistency for the Capital Improvement Plan (Plan) on May 13, 2025. Adding this new CIP project is consistent and similar to other projects in the Plan and therefore does not require a new finding by the Planning Commission.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The CIP project budget increase would be \$6,000 with funding from Building/Facilities/Infrastructure Fund 103. The current estimated ending fund balance for Fiscal Year 2025-26 is \$1,095,517 and there are sufficient funds for this project.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

This item has been noticed in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and was available for public viewing and review at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date.



As of the writing of this staff report, the City has not received any public comment on this item. However, if staff receives public comment from interested parties following the publication and distribution of this staff report, such comments will be provided to the City Council as supplemental materials before or at the meeting. In addition, public comments may be offered during the public comment portion of this item.

RESTATED RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council (1) approve a budget increase for the Ives Park Emergency Repair Trenchless Rehabilitation of 60" CMP Storm Drain Project, and (2) adopt a resolution amending the budget for the Project.

CITY COUNCIL OPTION(S):

There is no feasible option because the repair work must be completed to avoid further damage to the creek and to protect public safety.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1-Budget Amendment Resolution
- 2-Planning Commission Resolution 25-02

APPROVALS:

Department Head Approval:

Approval Date: 11/12/25

CEQA Determination (Planning):

Approval Date: 11/12/25

This project is Categorically Exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (d).

Administrative Services (Financial)

Approval Date:

Costs authorized in City Approved Budget:

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

Account Code (f applicable)

Fund 103

City Attorney Approval:

Approval Date: N/A

City Manager Approval:

Approval Date: 11/xx/25