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City Manager's Report
September 23, 2025, City Council Meeting
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Item #: 7.6

Subject: Consider approving construction Contract Change Order (CCO) No. 9 and ratifying construction CCOs No. 1 through No. 3 in the total aggregate amount of \$109,775 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving project (CIP #42213) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same.

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution

1. Approving Contract Changer Order No. 9 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$59,837 for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving project (CIP #42213) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same; and
2. Ratifying Contract Change Orders (CCOs) No. 1 through No. 3 in the total aggregate amount of \$49,938.00 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. for the said project.

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to approve and ratify construction Contract Change Orders.

Strategic Plan Strategy: Strategy 4 - Update and Maintain City-Owned Infrastructure.

Background: The City's Pavement Management Program cites a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 8 for Smith Flat Road, citing it as failed and in need of replacement. Through the project design process, the storm drain and sewer main were evaluated to assess the condition and need for repairs. The project will remove and replace the pavement, remove and replace storm drain culverts, and make repairs to select segments of the City's sewer main. The project is locally funded with Measures H and L funds.

On August 8, 2023, the City Council approved an Agreement for Engineering Services in the amount of \$809,088 with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. (REY) for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving Project (CIP #42213). On August 27, 2024 the City Council approved Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with REY which down scoped their services in the amount of \$214,510, resulting in a revised contract amount of \$594,578. At that same time, the City Council approved Notice to Proceed No. 2 in the amount of \$142,405, authorizing the remaining design phase tasks in their scope of work.

On August 8, 2023, the City Council approved Amendment No. 2 with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$127,082, Notice to Proceed No. 3 in the amount of \$166,070 to R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc.,

and Task Order 5A with Dewberry Engineers Inc. in the amount of \$121,016.48, and a construction contract with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$2,064,481.83.

Construction began on July 21, 2025.

Discussion: As construction progressed, Contract Change Orders (CCOs) were necessary to address differing and unforeseen site conditions, as well as engaging in opportunities to deliver a more complete project for the community. Below is a summary of CCOs to be ratified this evening:

- CCO No. 1 – Sewer Modifications (\$13,184.00): This change order included a 10-inch x 4-inch wye, the removal and replacement of 5 LF of 4-inch lateral pipe, a new 48-inch sewer manhole, and the deduction of 43 LF of 10-inch sewer pipe. This work resulted in an Increase in Bid Items at Bid Item Prices and a Decrease in Bid Items at Bid Item Prices.
- CCO No. 2 – Drainage Modifications and Remove Tree (\$12,062.50): This change order adjusted the actual lengths of proposed storm drain replacement culverts, filled 20 LF of abandoned storm drain culvert with slurry, and removed a dead tree. This work resulted in an Increase in Bid Items at Bid Item Prices.
- CCO No. 3 – Additional Slurry Cap for R&R Cross-Culverts (\$24,691.50): More slurry backfill was required at each culvert replacement location than was calculated in the plans. This change order resulted in an Increase in Bid Items at Bid Item Prices.
- CCO No. 9 – Storm Drain Invert Paving (\$59,837): This change order includes additional unforeseen invert paving of a large storm drain culvert under Smith Flat Road that was identified during construction to be in need of repair. The work includes shotcrete lining of the invert of the pipe and installation of a cutoff wall at the inlet. This extra work will be paid at an agreed lump sum cost.

Construction of the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving Project is nearly complete. A substantial completion walk-through was performed on September 10th and a punchlist was generated. Staff will return to Council to ratify final CCOs and request authorization to execute the Notice of Completion at a later date.

Options:

1. Approve the recommendations by staff.
2. Provide other direction to staff on the project.

Environmental: The project was determined to be Categorical Exempt according to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 and 15303 because the project involves the rehabilitation and replacement of existing facilities and negligible expansion of use of the public roadway and utilities. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the El Dorado County Recorder's Office on November 3, 2021.

Cost: The cost of construction Contract Change Orders No. 1 through 3 and CCO No. 9 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. is in the total combined amount of \$109,775.

Budget Impact: The City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Capital Improvement Program Budget which appropriated \$200,000 for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving

project (CIP #42213). On August 8, 2023, the City Council approved a \$400,000 budget appropriation. On August 27, 2024, the City Council approved budget appropriations totaling \$2,000,000. On February 25, 2025, the City Council approved budget appropriations totaling \$113,738. On July 8, 2025, the City Council approved budget appropriations totaling \$1,000,000, for a total project budget of \$3,713,738.

To date, the project has encumbered the following costs:

Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. (Original Contract)	\$ 2,064,482
Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. (Proposed Change Order #1)	13,184
Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. (Proposed Change Order #2)	12,063
Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. (Proposed Change Order #3)	24,692
Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. (Proposed Change Order #9)	59,837
R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. (Notice to Proceed No. 1)	413,185
R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. (Notice to Proceed No. 2)	142,405
R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. (Notice to Proceed No. 3)	166,070
Dewberry Engineers Inc. (Task Order 5A)	121,016
UNICO Engineering, Inc.	25,789
El Dorado County Recorder Clerk	50
Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard	454
Mountain Democrat	278
SWRCB	619
City Personnel	46,809
Total	<u>\$ 3,090,933</u>

As you can see, the \$3,090,933 in project encumbrances, including proposed CCOs No. 1 through 3 and CCO No. 9 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$109,775, is within the \$3,713,738 project budget.



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Melissa Savage, City Engineer

Attachments:

Attachment A: Resolution