

Office of the City Manager

RECESS ITEM
CONSENT CALENDAR
January 21, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager
Submitted by: Terrance Davis, Director, Department of Public Works
Subject: Contract: Rosas Brothers Construction for FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project (Specification No. 25-11679-C)

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution ratifying the action taken by the City Manager during recess:

- Approving plans and specifications for the FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project;
- Accepting the bid of Rosas Brothers Construction as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and
- Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments, extensions, or other change orders until project completion, in accordance with the approved plans and specifications in an amount not to exceed \$2,683,395, which includes a 10% contingency.

NEGATIVE EFFECT IF ACTION IS DELAYED UNTIL AFTER COUNCIL RECESS

Delay in approving this contract would postpone critical accessibility improvements that must be completed before the FY 2025 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project. This would risk pushing paving work outside the optimal weather window and potentially delay the entire street paving program, impacting multiple project schedules and increasing costs.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding is available from the Street Capital Improvement Program.

Measure B Local Streets & Roads (Fund 130)	\$433,395
Measure BB Sales Tax (Fund 134)	\$55,500
Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 501)	\$2,194,500
Total construction cost	\$2,683,395

No other funding is required, and no other projects will be delayed due to this expenditure.

Low bid by Contractor	\$2,439,450
10% Contingency	\$243,945
<u>Total construction cost</u>	<u>\$2,683,395</u>

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The project incorporates 108 curb ramp improvements at locations corresponding to the streets selected for the FY 2025 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project (see Attachment 2, Location Map for Curb Ramp Improvements). Completing the curb ramp improvements before the FY 2025 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project will ensure the timely completion of the paving within the optimal weather window.

The project was released for bids on October 3, 2024, and bids were opened on October 24, 2024 (see Attachment 3, Abstract of Bids). Seven non-local/local bids were received, from a low of \$2,439,450 to a high of \$2,942,450. The engineer’s estimate for the project was \$2,600,000.

Rosas Brothers Construction of Oakland, California, was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, with a bid of \$2,439,450, and their references were satisfactory. This project includes a 10% contingency, which brings the total contract amount up to the requested \$2,683,395. Staff recommends that a contract for this project be awarded to Rosas Brothers Construction.

The FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project is a Strategic Plan Priority Project, advancing our goal to provide state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities.

BACKGROUND

The City is required to provide accessible curb ramps under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Curb ramps are a critical connection between sidewalks and street crossings, enabling people with disabilities, seniors, parents with strollers, and all pedestrians to navigate our city safely.

When streets are altered through resurfacing projects, federal law requires the simultaneous installation or upgrading curb ramps to current ADA standards at affected crosswalk locations. The City has been systematically upgrading curb ramps throughout Berkeley as part of its ongoing commitment to accessibility and compliance with federal regulations. The FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project will upgrade 108 curb ramps to meet current standards for slope, width, surface texture, and other accessibility requirements.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

This project supports the City's climate action goals by improving pedestrian infrastructure and encouraging walking as an alternative to driving. The improvements

will also enhance accessibility for all residents, promoting a more equitable and sustainable transportation system.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The City conducted a public bid process, and Rosas Brothers Construction submitted the lowest, responsive, and responsible bid. The work requires contracted services, as the City does not possess the in-house labor or equipment resources necessary to complete this specialized construction work.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

No alternative action was considered. The City could choose not to proceed with this project. However, this would prevent the City from improving accessibility and meeting its obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act. It could also delay the yearly Paving project, which is part of the 5-Year Paving plan.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

- 1: Resolution
- 2: Location Map for Curb Ramp Improvements
- 3: Abstract of Bids

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

CONTRACT: ROSAS BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION FOR FY 2025 CURB RAMP
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project is part of the City's ongoing effort to enhance accessibility throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has neither the labor nor the equipment necessary to undertake this FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project; and

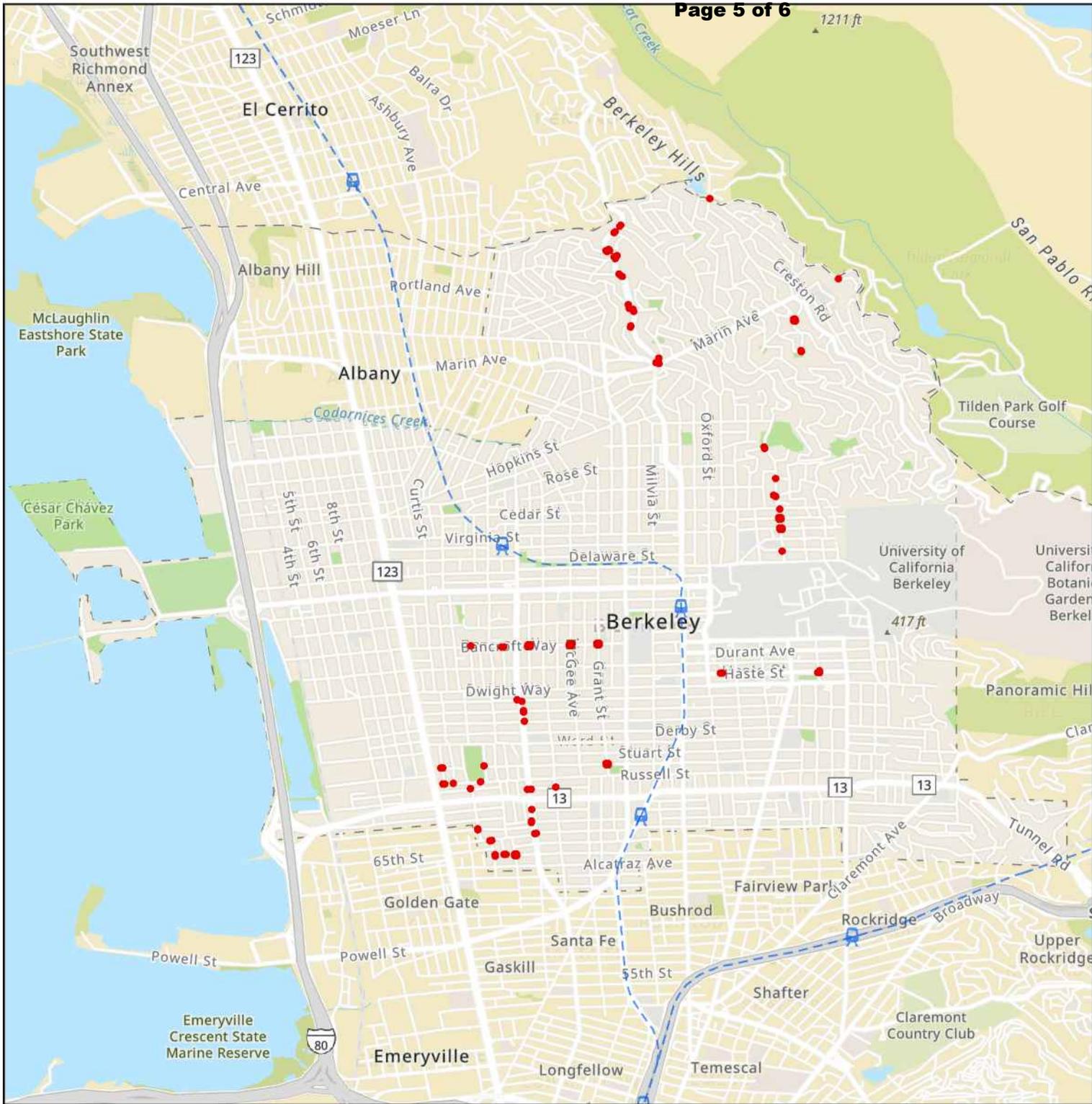
WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was duly advertised, and Rosas Brothers Construction was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the FY 2025 and FY 2026 budgets in Measure B Local Streets & Roads (Fund 130), Measure BB Sales Tax (Fund 134), and Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 501); and

WHEREAS, during the Council recess period from December 11, 2024 through January 20, 2025, the City Manager took action to approve the contract to maintain project schedules and meet accessibility requirements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the Council ratifies the action taken by the City Manager to approve plans and specifications for Specification No. 25-11679-C FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Berkeley ratifies the City Manager's action accepting the bid and executing a contract and any amendments, extensions or change orders until completion of the project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications with Rosas Brothers Construction for the FY 2025 Curb Ramp Improvement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$2,683,395, which includes a 10% contingency for unforeseen circumstances. A record signature copy of said agreement and any amendments are to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.



FY 2025 CURB RAMP REPAIR SCOPE

-  BART Station
-  BART Line
-  Curb Ramp Repair Scope

This map is for reference purposes only. Data are not survey precise.

Care was taken in the creation of this map, but it is provided "AS IS". Please contact the City of Berkeley to verify map information or to report any errors.
October 3, 2024



CITY OF BERKELEY
Engineering Division
1947 Center Street
Berkeley CA 94704



City of Berkeley
Abstract of Bid Worksheet

Finance Department
General Services Division

FOR: FY 25 Curb Ramp Improvement Project
Spec. # 25-11679-C

Bid Date: 10/24/2024

required w/ bid

	Bidders	Base Bid	Bid Bond	SC	LW	WF	EBO	OS	NF
1	Kerex Engineering	\$ 2,496,950.00	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
2	JJR Construction Inc.	\$ 2,718,977.20	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
3	Rosas Brothers Construction	\$ 2,439,450.00	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
4	Terocons Inc.	\$ 2,895,950.00	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
5	Sposeto	\$ 2,607,630.00	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
6	RK Engineering Inc	\$ 2,748,275.00	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
7	Calico California	\$ 2,496,969.00	X	x	x	x	x	x	x
8	*Error in tabulation of Kerex Engineering's Bid	\$ 2,942,450.00							
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Bid Recorder:

R Soarna

10/24/2024
Date

Bid Opener:

Clay Selwell

Date 10/25/2025

Project Manager:

[Signature]

Date 10/25/2024