



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
October 28, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager
Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation & Waterfront
Subject: Contract No. 32200098 Amendment: ERA Construction, Inc. for
O & K Docks Electrical Upgrades Project

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32200098 with ERA Construction, Inc. for the O & K Docks Electrical Upgrades Project, increasing the amount by \$666,600 for an amended total amount not to exceed \$2,133,600.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

This contract amendment will add an additional \$666,600 to the existing construction contract with ERA Construction, Inc. to cover the change orders needed to complete the project. FY 2026 funding for this contract amendment will be recommended for appropriation through the first amendment to the appropriations ordinance to carry over prior FY project funds in Marina Fund (Fund 608), General Fund (011), and Measure T1 (511). No other funding is required, and no other projects will be delayed due to this expenditure.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Due to unforeseen underground utility conditions and new utility permit requirements, the proposed new landside electrical supply equipment (switchboard panel) that serves K Dock slips and restroom and L&M Dock slips needs to be redesigned and relocated. In addition, decking replacement is required at F&G Dock. The City has negotiated these change orders with ERA Construction, Inc. and Council authorization is required in order to implement the work.

BACKGROUND

The O & K Docks Electrical Upgrades Project was advertised for bids on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, and bids were opened on May 18, 2021. The City received two bids, from a low bid of \$1,117,980 to a high bid of \$1,480,200 for base bid work. Staff determined that ERA Construction, Inc. was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and executed contract number 32200098 to implement the project. On May 9,

2023 and on May 7, 2024, the contract was amended, adding an additional \$267,000 for a total amount not to exceed amount of \$1,467,000 (Resolution No. 70,826-N.S. & 71,315-N.S.).

The purpose of this project is to replace the outdated electrical systems at O-Dock and K-Dock with upgraded systems that meet current building codes. The electrical load rating at O-Dock will be upgraded from 600AMP to 800AMP to accommodate future demands at the Marina. The project includes the following components: new dock-mounted utility pedestals for electrical and potable water connections linked to a central communication system and integrated lighting, new dock boxes, new conductor wires, new dock-mount power stations (transformers), and new landside switchboard enclosures. The upgraded switchboard enclosures will provide more reliable and enhanced electrical services to not only O & K docks but to L, M, N docks and two restroom buildings as well. F&G Dock was constructed in the late 1990's to provide 118 rentable boat slips. The timber decking has reached the end of its useful life. Most of deck boards have dry rotted with splits and they can no longer be fastened to the docks securely and must be replaced.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

The construction contract includes requirements to comply with the City's Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy. The work will also comply with the conditions contained in the Bay Conservation Development Commission (BCDC) Permit, and City of Berkeley Building Permit.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This project is part of the City's ongoing effort to update and maintain the deteriorated infrastructure at the Berkeley Marina. The project will help the City advance Strategic Plan Long-term goal number 1 to provide state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities. This increase to the contract is necessary to address unforeseen utility conditions and emergency decking replacement at F&G Dock. The City does not have the in-house labor or equipment resources to complete these construction activities.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None

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Attachments:
1: Resolution

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

CONTRACT NO. 32200098 AMENDMENT: ERA CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE
O & K DOCKS ELECTRICAL UPGRADES PROJECT

WHEREAS, the existing electrical systems at O and K Docks at the Berkeley Marina are outdated and in need of upgrades in order to provide reliable and safe electrical services to the slips; and

WHEREAS, the City has neither the labor nor the equipment necessary to undertake this construction work; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was duly advertised on April 21, 2021, and bids were opened on May 18, 2021, and the City received two bids; and

WHEREAS, ERA Construction, Inc. was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and references for ERA Construction, Inc. were provided and checked out satisfactorily; and

WHEREAS, the contract with ERA Construction, Inc. for the O & K Docks Electrical Upgrades Project was executed on November 2, 2021 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, including a construction contingency (Resolution No. 69,951-N.S.); and

WHEREAS, two contract amendments have been executed to date to address unanticipated existing conditions and conflicts, resulting in a current total contract value of \$1,467,000; and

WHEREAS, unforeseen underground utility conditions, new utility permit procedures, and deck replacement work require additional funds to complete the work; and

WHEREAS, FY 2026 funding for this contract amendment will be recommended for appropriation through the first amendment to the appropriations ordinance to carry over prior FY project funds in Marina Fund (Fund 608), General Fund (011), and Measure T1 (511). No other funding is required, and no other projects will be delayed due to this expenditure.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32200098 with ERA Construction, Inc. for the O & K Docks Electrical Upgrades Project, increasing the contract amount by \$666,600 for a total amended amount not to exceed \$2,133,600. A record signature copy of any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

