



# City of Morgan Hill

## Legislation Text

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## **CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

### **MEETING DATE: AUGUST 24, 2016**

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## **ACCEPTANCE OF AQUATICS CENTER IRRIGATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT**

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Adopt resolution:

1. Accepting the Aquatics Center Irrigation Demonstration Project in the final amount of \$46,282;
2. Authorizing the Community Services Director to sign the attached Notice of Completion; and
3. Directing the City Clerk to file the attached Notice of Completion with the County of Santa Clara's Recorder's Office.

### **COUNCIL PRIORITIES, GOALS & STRATEGIES:**

#### **Ongoing Priorities**

Protecting the environment  
Maintaining fiscal responsibility  
Supporting youth

#### **2016 Focus Areas**

Developing Our Community  
Enhancing Our Services

### **REPORT NARRATIVE:**

The City Council awarded the contract for the Aquatics Center Irrigation Demonstration Project to Jensen Landscape Services, Inc. at its March 16, 2016 meeting. The project included the removal of an irrigation system and lawn area, and the installation of a KISSS Irrigation System in its place. The KISSS irrigation system is a new generation, cutting-edge technology that provides greater control over root zone conditions which dramatically reduces water consumption.

The work was completed on June 28, 2016 in accordance with the plans and specifications for the project. There were two change orders in the amounts of \$2,030 and \$475, respectively. The final contract amount was \$46,282.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Inform**

The project purposefully occurred during the off-season. Customers of the Aquatics Center were

informed about the purpose of the project. Now that the project has been completed, the community will be informed about relevant results, as needed.

**ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:**

None.

**PRIOR CITY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION ACTIONS:**

The City Council has a long history of supporting water conservation demonstration projects. The specific concept and grant application for the Aquatics Center Irrigation Demonstration Project was approved by the Council on December 3, 2014.

**FISCAL AND RESOURCE IMPACT:**

The budget for the project was \$81,500, which included a grant of \$48,500 from the Santa Clara Valley Water District. The project award of \$43,777 and the authorized contingency of \$2,505 resulted in a total project cost of \$46,282. Implementing water conservation demonstration projects is an activity included in the work program of the Community Services Department.

**CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):**

Categorical Exemption

The project described in this Staff Report are categorically exempt under CEQA, specifically pursuant to Section 15304 of the CEQA Guidelines (Minor Alterations to Land), as the work involves the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water efficient landscaping - which is specifically listed as a categorical exemption in Section 15304(b).

**LINKS/ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution
2. Notice of Completion
3. Project Close Out Spreadsheet