



AGENDA NO: 8.b

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council **DATE:** November 6, 2025
FROM: Greg Kwolek, Public Works Director
Nate Stong, PE, City Engineer
SUBJECT: Declaration of Emergency and Authorize Actions required for the Morro Creek Bank Stabilization Project

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the following actions related to the Morro Creek Bank Stabilization Project:

1. Adopt a Resolution, by not less than four-fifths affirmative vote, confirming an emergency exists and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and award an emergency public works contract for the project in an amount not to exceed \$500,000;
2. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to approve construction contingency amounts up to a total of \$150,000;
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to approve a professional services agreements for design and engineering during construction services for an amount not to exceed \$250,000; and
4. Find that the project is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, pursuant to Section 15269(b) – Emergency Projects.

ALTERNATIVES

City Council could choose to:

1. Not authorize the award of an emergency contract, and instead have staff prepare plans and specifications to award a contract to a low bidder in accordance with State and local contracting procedures. This could result in an extended timeline to complete the work, which would leave the unprotected creek bank at risk of further erosion and failure.
2. Provide alternative direction to staff.

DISCUSSION

Staff is finalizing a full analysis for this recommendation. The analysis will be uploaded as part of an agenda update on Monday, November 10, 2025.

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Dept Review: GK

City Manager Review: AL

City Attorney Review: ___