

RESOLUTION NO. 121-25

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA, TO AUTHORIZE THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO FREYER &
LAURETA TO COMPLETE THE PARCHESTER VILLAGE-GIANT HIGHWAY
INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Parchester Village neighborhood faces persistent infrastructure challenges, including aging utility systems, drainage constraints, poor pavement condition, flooding concerns, and limited pedestrian and bicycle facilities, particularly along the Giant Highway corridor, which is the primary access route for residents and a vital link for daily travel, emergency services, and community connectivity; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2025, the City Council directed staff to conduct a study to address infrastructure issues in Parchester Village along the Giant Highway, and allocated \$500,000 towards the study; and

WHEREAS, the Parchester Village-Giant Highway Infrastructure Master Plan will evaluate and develop recommendations to improve storm drainage conditions to address flooding issues; improve pedestrian, transit, and bicycle safety and access; and improve pavement conditions; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2025, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for engineering firms to develop a comprehensive infrastructure plan for the Parchester Village neighborhood and the segment of Giant Highway and Collins Avenue adjacent to Parchester Village with recommendations for transportation and infrastructure improvements to support safety, access, placemaking, and resilience for the neighborhood, receiving three proposals, which were evaluated by a panel of Public Works and Planning staff based on approach to work, related experience, proposer qualifications, and project team; and

WHEREAS, the panel identified Freyer & Laureta as the best fit for engineering services based on project approach, experience, qualifications, and project team; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the approval of a contract with Freyer & Laureta for the Parchester Village-Giant Highway Infrastructure Master Plan in an amount not-to-exceed **\$399,500**, and recommends that the Director of Public Works, or their designee, be authorized to approve contract amendments in an additional amount not to exceed **\$100,500**; and

WHEREAS, by the agenda report (“Agenda Report”) accompanying this resolution, the City Council has been provided with additional information upon which the findings and actions set forth in this Resolution are based.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richmond as follows:

Section 1. The City Council finds that the recitals set forth above are true and correct and, together with the Agenda Report accompanying this item, form the basis for the findings and actions contained in this Resolution.

Section 2. The City Council hereby awards a contract to Freyer & Laureta, Inc. to develop the Parchester Village-Giant Highway Infrastructure Master Plan, and authorizes the City Manager to execute the contract in an amount not to exceed \$399,500.

Section 3. The City Council further authorizes the Public Works Director, or their designee, to approve contract amendments, in an additional amount not to exceed \$100,500, resulting in a total potential contract value of \$500,000.

Section 4. The City Council designates the City Clerk as the custodian of the documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which this decision is based. These materials are available for public inspection at the City Clerk’s Office, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, California 94804.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held on August 26, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bana, Jimenez, Robinson, Wilson, Vice Mayor Zepeda, and Mayor Martinez.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: Councilmember Brown.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Approved: (SEAL)

EDUARDO MARTINEZ
Mayor

Approved as to form:

DAVE ALESHIRE
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 121-25**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on August 26, 2025.


Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond