

RESOLUTION NO. 170-25

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
TO WR FORDE FOR THE RICHMOND ART AND LIGHTING PROJECT**

WHEREAS, in September 2022, the City was awarded grant funding from the State of California Department of Transportation in the amount of \$4,000,000, to fund the Richmond Art and Light Project (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project involves installing pedestrian-scale lighting and artwork to enhance local street under crossings at Macdonald Avenue, Barrett Avenue, and San Pablo Avenue along Interstate 80, and the Harbor Way overcrossing on Route 580, thereby improving safety and the pedestrian experience; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has identified the Project as a critical priority and recommends that it proceed to bid without delay; and

WHEREAS, all Capital Improvement Program projects will comply with the requirements set forth by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) or the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was duly advertised on July 15, 2024, bids were closed on August 20, 2024, and the City received zero (0) bids; and

WHEREAS, per Richmond Municipal Code 2.52.310.D7 (Competitive Sealed Bids – No Bids Received), procurement may proceed without repeating or complying further with competitive bidding requirements; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2025, WR Forde submitted a proposal in the amount of \$374,000, which is within budget. Staff has reviewed the proposal, verified references, and determined it to be responsive and responsible. Staff recommends awarding a construction contract in an amount not to exceed \$374,000, with authority for the Public Works Director to approve change orders of up to \$37,400 (10 percent contingency).

WHEREAS, grant funds from the State of California Department of Transportation for the Richmond Art and Lighting Project are sufficient to fund the cost of construction; and

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

SECTION 1. The City Council finds and determines that the statements set forth in the foregoing recitals are true and correct.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby authorizes the award of a construction contract to WR Forde for the Richmond Art and Light Project, in an amount not to exceed \$374,000.

SECTION 3. The City Council further authorizes the Public Works Director to approve change orders, if necessary, in a total amount not to exceed \$37,400 (10 percent contingency).

SECTION 4. The City Council designates the City Clerk as the custodian of the documents and other materials which constitute the record of proceedings upon which this Resolution is based. Such documents shall be available at the office of the City Clerk, Richmond City Hall, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, California 94804.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

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 December 2, 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. 170-25**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on December 2, 2025.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond