
Date: May 12, 2025

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY
AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE MATCHING GRANT AGREEMENT
AND AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE LOWER COLGAN CREEK CONSERVATION EASEMENT;
AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONVEYANCE AND ACCEPTANCE
DOCUMENTS FOR EXCHANGE OF LAND WITH THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA; AUTHORIZING THE
GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A GRANT OF EASEMENT TO THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA**

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa has acquired the property located at 3012 Dutton Meadow to support implementation of the Lower Colgan Creek Restoration Concept Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District (Ag + Open Space) has awarded Community Spaces Matching Grant Program funding to the City of Santa Rosa in support of this acquisition; and

WHEREAS, Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) is a partner in the Lower Colgan Creek restoration effort and is a co-holder of the Lower Colgan Creek Conservation Easement recorded in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ag + Open Space, the City of Santa Rosa, and Sonoma Water have negotiated Amendment No. 1 to the Conservation Easement to incorporate the Phase 2 and Phase 4 additions necessary to facilitate creek realignment, habitat enhancement, and future park development; and

WHEREAS, execution by Sonoma Water of the Matching Grant Agreement (as applicable) and Amendment No. 1 to the Conservation Easement is necessary to complete administrative requirements for the project and to support continued collaboration between the parties; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the amended conservation easement requires a no-cost exchange of land owned in fee by the Sonoma County Water Agency and the City of Santa Rosa, as well as a Grant of Easement from the Sonoma County Water Agency for existing and future City-owned improvements on Agency land.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Water Agency hereby:

1. Authorizes the General Manager to execute the Matching Grant Agreement between Ag + Open Space and the City of Santa Rosa, to the extent Sonoma Water consent or signature is required; and

2. Authorizes the General Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Lower Colgan Creek Conservation Easement and any related documents necessary to complete and record the amendment, in consultation with County Counsel.

3. Authorizes the General Manager, in consultation with County Counsel, to execute all necessary documents for the conveyance and acceptance of land to be exchanged with the City of Santa Rosa.

4. Authorizes the General Manager, in consultation with County Counsel, to execute a Grant of Easement to the City of Santa Rosa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the General Manager to take all administrative actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

Directors:

Rabbitt: Coursey: Gore: Hopkins: Hermosillo:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.