



Coastside Fire Protection District

STAFF REPORT

TO: Honorable Board of Directors

FROM: Jonathan Cox, Deputy Fire Chief

DATE: April 24, 2024

SUBJECT: **Fire Station 41 South Lot Site Improvements Project Update**

Staff Recommendation

Review, discuss, and provide direction to staff on proceeding with final design of the Station 41 South Lot Site Improvements Project.

Background/Discussion

At In 2022, the Coastside Fire Protection District entered into a Professional Services Agreement with RHAA Landscape Architects (RHAA) for design concepts for the unimproved South Lot at the new Fire Station 41, located at 555 Obispo Rd, El Granada, CA 94018. RHAA worked with District Staff to finalize two options for the South Lot. RHAA presented both options to the Board in September 2022.

Since the September 2022 meeting, a cost estimate was completed, and a preferred option was chosen by the Board. The preferred option included landscaping improvements including a meandering pathway, interpretive signage, drought tolerant and native plants, and sidewalk improvements along the frontage of the South lot. The estimated total construction cost of the improvements was estimated to be approximately \$250,000.

In August 2023 the Board directed staff to proceed with initiating construction plans for the preferred option.

On February 28, 2024, staff provided the Board with the 90% construction plans for the preferred option for review and discussion. During the discussion, the Board requested that staff follow up with the County of San Mateo to discuss the possibility of the County participating in the cost of the sidewalk improvements. All of the sidewalk improvements are outside of the District lot's boundary and within the County's public right of way. Since the meeting, staff has discussed the scope of the improvements and potential for cost sharing with County Public Works and Planning staff.

Staff has also identified other sidewalk and pedestrian improvements that are part of the County's Connect the Coastside Plan that are both along and immediately adjacent to the Station 41 property's frontage, and that are not currently part of the

project.

Staff will provide the Board with a presentation of its discussion with the County and the additional sidewalk improvements for discussion and consideration and seek additional direction from the Board before proceeding with final design of the project.

Fiscal Impact

None currently.