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Here's the goat honorary for Ecosystems. Unger, who is bringing it, "I want to honor our grazing goats, and also goatherds..."

DATE: September 30th, 2025

Colleagues on the City Council and Members of the Public,

We are honored to bring forth this resolution to celebrate the work that Ecosystems Concepts Inc, it's herders and caprine staff do. Oakland is a city that has seen firsthand the danger of wildfires. In 1991, the Tunnel Fire burned through the Oakland Hills, killing 25, and injuring another 150 people. This year, we saw again the dangers that fires pose to our communities with the Palisades Fire in Los Angeles. It is crucial that Oakland have a robust vegetation management plan that focuses on mitigating the risk of wildfires.

Oakland is proud to partner with Ecosystems Concepts Inc. to manage the vegetation and prevent another wildfire like the Tunnel Fire. As you drive through the Oakland Hills, you may see a large herd of Goats grazing. This is no accident. These goats are there to eat vegetation that could serve as fuel for another wildfire. These goats are crucial to protecting our homes and our lives and it is our honor to recognize the job that is done by everyone involved in this work.

Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

The owner going through the process of starting the company, breeding disease free goats that thrive on dry grazing, 4500 goats.

Gallo is absent, and the meeting is going very quickly

Daupler contract for after-hours call services for infrastructure emergencies

- 4 Subject: Three-Year Professional Services Agreement With Daupler Inc.
From: Oakland Public Works Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution (1) Waiving The City's Request For Proposal Requirements Under Oakland Municipal Code (O.M.C) Section 2.04.051(B), And The Local And Small Local Business Enterprise (L/SLBE) Program Requirements, (2) Awarding A Three-Year Professional Services Agreement To Daupler Inc. In An Amount Of Eight Hundred And Ten Thousand Dollars (\$810,000) For The Period Of October 16, 2025, Through October 15, 2028, For Emergency Call Management Services With Two OneYear Options To Extend The Contract For The Amount Of Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$270,000) Annually, For A Grand Total Contract Amount Of One Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,350,000), Without Returning To Council; And (3) Making Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings

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To clarify, this is after hours pick up of Oak311 calls

Contract forwarded to Council

Now on to the contract for a mandated backflow service device that EBMUD requires by law

- 5** Subject: Three-Year Maintenance Services Agreement With YES Construction Group, Inc.
From: Oakland Public Works Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution (1) Waiving The Formal Advertising And Competitive Bidding Requirements Of OMC § 2.04.050(I) And The RFP/RFQ Requirements Of OMC § 2.04.051(B), (2) Approving And Authorizing The City Administrator To Award And Execute A Three Year Agreement With YES Construction Group, Inc. For Backflow Prevention Device Testing, Certification, And Minor Incidental Repairs At City Facilities In An Amount Not To Exceed \$270,000 For The Period November 1, 2025 Through October 30, 2028, With Two (2) One Year Options To Extend In An Amount Not To Exceed \$90,000 Per Year, For A Total Not To Exceed \$450,000, Subject To The Availability Of Funds; And (3) Adopting Appropriate CEQA Findings
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Yes backflow item forwarded to council.

Gateway Industrial District Landscape Contract to Los Loza Inc, 3 years, not to exceed 560K

- 6 Subject: CFD 2015-1 Gateway Industrial Landscape Maintenance Contract 2025
From: Oakland Public Works Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To (1) Award
The Community Facilities District (CFD) 2015-1 Gateway Industrial Landscape
Maintenance Contract 2025 (Project No. 1004284), Based On All Contract Documents
And Specification, To Los Loza, Inc. For A Three-Year Period In An Amount Not To
Exceed Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$560,000.00); And (2) Adopting
Appropriate California Environmental Quality Findings
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Houston asking about competitors, says that the City could look into hiring non profits

The gateway landscape contract passed. On to the Civicorps trail maintenance item. The contract increase will come specifically out of Measure MM, the fire district parcel tax measure passed in November

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Subject: Amending And Expanding The Civicorps Contract Agreement
 From: Oakland Public Works Department
 Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Amending Resolution Number 89736 C.M.S., Which Among Other Things Expanded The Scope Of Work For The City Of Oakland's Contract With Civicorps (Formerly Civicorps Schools) To Include Trail Maintenance And Brush Clearance Services In Open Space Parks, By: (1) Waiving The City's Advertising And Solicitation Of Proposals/Qualifications Requirements; And (2) Authorizing The City Administrator To Increase The Contract Amount From Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$900,000) To An Amount Not To Exceed Two Million, Seven Hundred And Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$2,735,000)

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Maintenance agreements with Caltrans in CT right of ways: City must get a permit to do public works in the CT rights of ways, require these agreements. Legislation streamlines by authorizing CAO to negotiate and execute the agreements

- 8 Subject: Maintenance Agreements Between The City And Caltrans
 From: Department Of Transportation
 Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Negotiate
 And Execute Maintenance Agreements And Related Amendments Between The City
 And California Department Of Transportation (Caltrans); And Making California
 Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings
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Asphalt contracts with Reed & Graham and Martin Marietta [I believe this is the lot adjacent to boathouse at MLK shoreline park on Tidewater.] I think former Port Commissioner Colbruno was the long-standing lobbyist at City for the lot, including previous owner.

- 9 Subject: Purchase Of Asphalt Paving Materials For In-House Paving And Sidewalk Operations
From: Department Of Transportation
Recommendation: Adopt The Following Pieces Of Legislation:

1) A Resolution Waiving Further Advertising And Competitive Bidding Under OMC Section 2.04.050(I)(2), Authorizing Open-Market Award Under Oakland Municipal Code (OMC) Section 2.04.050(J), Issuing A Limited Restricted Waiver Under OMC Section 2.22.050 And A Waiver Under OMC Section 2.23.030 (B), And Authorizing The City Administrator To Award A Purchasing Contract To Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,000,000 Per Year For Two (2) Years, With One (1) Additional Two-Year Option In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,000,000 Per Year, For A Total Not-To-Exceed \$4,000,000 Over Four (4) Years, In Accordance With Specification No. 25-745-00/RFQ 339527 And The Contractor's Price Quotation Dated July 8, 2025, Without Return To Council, Adopt Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings, Authorizing A One-Time Payment In The Amount Of \$250,000 To Pay Outstanding Invoices; And
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2) A Resolution Waiving Further Advertising And Competitive Bidding Under Oakland Municipal Code (OMC) Section 2.04.050(I) (2) Authorizing Open-Market Award Under OMC Section 2.04.050(J), And Authorizing The City Administrator To Award A Purchasing Contract To Reed & Graham, Inc. In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,000,000 Per Year For Two (2) Years, With One (1) Additional Two-Year Option In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,000,000 Per Year, For A Total Not-To-Exceed \$4,000,000 Over Four (4) Years, In Accordance With Specification No. 25-745-00/RFQ 339527 And The Contractor's Price Quotation Dated August 6, 2025, Without Return To Council And Adopt Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings
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Not to exceed amount for each is 1 million. Notably, this requires a waiver of "related to border wall construction and sanctuary city policies", looks like MM is involved in those activities, but no other contractor available. Looks like City found out late MM is a violator.

City staff says that Martin Marietta "refused to sign a waiver that they would remain in compliance [w/border wall, sanctuary city] and refused to tell us whether they would remain in compliance...unwilling to make that commitment"


City staff says that it needs Martin Marietta because they are the only closely located "hot mix" asphalt contractor that can deliver hot asphalt in a timely way.

Michael Colbruno, who left the Port Commission after a 13 year stint there as Commissioner, is Martin Marietta's lobbyist at city

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1/24/2025

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	Martin Marietta	3000 Executive Parkway Suite 240 San Ramon, CA USA	Business	Construction			

Wang says she's troubled by MMs refusal to sign waiver, but given city just paid a \$7 MM settlement to a cyclist injured by a pothole, they need to pave roads. Houston asked for it to go to non-consent. CMs were mostly wary of the lack of waiver, but feel they have no choice

Last item on the agenda contains a waiver of L/SMLBE ordinance to be able to comply with sewer consent decree.

10 Subject: Ensure Compliance With Sewer Consent Decree
From: Oakland Public Works Department
Recommendation: Adopt The Following Pieces Of Legislation:

1) A Resolution To Ensure Compliance With The Sewer Consent Decree By Waiving All Local/Small Local Business Enterprise Program Requirements (Ordinance 13101, Ordinance 13640 As Amended), Except To Continue To Provide Bid Discounts To Local/Small Local Businesses; And

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2) A Resolution To Ensure Compliance With The Sewer Consent Decree By Awarding Sanitary Sewer Construction Contracts To The Lowest Responsive And Responsible Bidder, In Accordance With Project Plans And Specifications And All City Contracting Program Requirements, Each Up To An Individual Contract Award Of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000); And For Each Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act Findings, Without Return To City Council

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City staff is going through issues with contract, city is behind on its decree requirements and needs to meet them...there's a shortage of competent companies, l/smlbe companies will still get discounts to make more competitive, however. "local firms will stay competitive"

Sewer item forwarded to 10/7; that's it for the meeting, CED is next

A caller on illegal dumping, an Oakland native Mary Forte, says she called in a dumping site to 311 and it took almost two months to pick up: "we have volunteers who pick up the trash, put it in nice piles, and while its waiting to be picked up, more is dumped"

Meeting went on into CED time, CED starting a bit late.

Houston says that city picks up trash, but dumpers come right back: "city is doing their work...but there's a magnitude of people dumping these items that shouldn't be...we're not waste management" He blames it on DA that wasn't prosecuting. He gave no examples, however.

My mistake, CED starts at 1:30 pm

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