



London Breed, Mayor
Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager

Date: August 15, 2024
To: Recreation and Parks Commission
Through: Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager
Stacy Bradley, Director of Capital & Planning Division
From: Alex Schuknecht, Project Manager
Subject: Golden Gate Park 9th Avenue Gateway – Contract Amendment

Agenda Item Wording

Discussion and possible action to amend the construction contract with Bauman Landscape and Construction Inc. for the Golden Gate Park 9th Avenue Gateway (Sourcing Event ID. #0000007657) to amend the construction contract duration to 330 days, reflecting a 90 day increase to the duration last approved by the Commission.

Strategic Plan

Strategy 1—Inspire Public Space: Keep today’s parks safe, clean, and fun; promote our parks’ historic and cultural heritage; and build the great parks of tomorrow

Objective: 1.2: Strengthen the quality of existing Parks & Facilities

Objective: 1.3: Steward and promote good park behavior

Objective: 1.4: Preserve and celebrate historic and cultural resources

Strategy 4—Inspire Stewardship: Protect and enhance San Francisco’s precious natural resources through conservation, education, and sustainable land/facility management practices

Objective 4.3: Increase eco-literacy of park users and park maintenance staff



Background Information

The Golden Gate Park Master Plan, published in 1998, recommended a “new entry treatment at 9th and Lincoln.” The gateway lacked presence and needed a “treatment to reflect its status as a major park entry”. Wayfinding at the intersection was, and continues to be, difficult, and in the years since the Golden Gate Master Plan was published the number of pedestrians and all other modes of traffic passing through this gateway have only increased. A renovated gateway at this location will improve accessibility and pedestrian circulation, improve views and visibility of the San Francisco Botanical Garden, announce entry into the park, and provide a plaza which would allow people to linger at the gateway.

The new 9th and Lincoln Gateway will meet the park’s Master Plan recommendations, prioritize pedestrian safety, help orient park visitors, strengthen the park’s connection to the Inner Sunset neighborhood, and provide a welcoming and iconic entrance into the park. The project also employs durable and sustainable design that will last decades into the future.

Project Design and Improvements

The symmetrical gateway design includes an open plaza area; large, raised masonry planters with distinctive trees and planting; improved lighting; and new signage which includes a Golden Gate Park boulder sign. The improvements summarized below will provide distinction to this well-worn and highly used entry into the park:

- Approximately 5,500SF of new concrete paving (sidewalks)
- Distinctive trees and landscaping in approximately 6,000SF of new planting area with upgraded irrigation
- New signage including a boulder engraved with “Golden Gate Park”
- Large stone planters
- Granite steps with handrails
- New pedestrian lighting
- Relocation of MUNI bus shelter away from main crossing
- New curb ramps at non-ADA compliant corners of the intersection
- Utility upgrades needed to achieve project completion

Construction Contract Timeline

- The Golden Gate Park 9th Avenue Gateway Project was advertised in April, 2023, with a bid due date of May 24th, 2023.
- RP Commission awarded the construction contract for the project to Bauman Landscape and Construction Inc. on July 20th, 2023.
- NTP was initiated on November 8th, 2023, with an original contract duration of 240 consecutive days.
- Proposed new Substantial Completion date is October 3, 2024.

Summary of Contract Changes

This project is fully funded, and this is not a request for additional funds or an increase in the contract amount.

An increase in contract duration by 90 days is requested due to the following:

- Additional days needed to complete change order planting work along Lincoln Way between 9th and 10th Avenues
- Additional procurement time for upsized specimen trees
- Change order work to add conduit across 9th Avenue
- Unanticipated lead time for procurement of granite steps
- Delay caused by coordination with PG&E to relocate an existing meter, which is ongoing, and lead time delay for procurement of new meter
- Allowance for unforeseen circumstances
- Contractor-caused delay – any additional unjustified delays may result in liquidated damages

Environmental Review

The project has been reviewed by the Planning Department and a Categorical Exemption (Case Number 2019-007356ENV) under Class 1 – Existing Facilities.

Funding

Sources:	\$2,825,539	General Fund
	\$248,107.37	Open Space Fund
Total sources:	\$3,073,646	
Uses:	\$1,422,696	Hard Costs incl. 10% contingency
	\$1,650,950	Soft Costs
Total Uses:	\$3,073,646	

Project Schedule

Planning Phase:	Fall 2016 through Winter 2020
Design Phase:	Spring 2021 through Fall 2022
Bid & Award Phase:	Fall 2022 through Spring 2023
Construction Phase:	Fall 2023 through Fall 2024

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission approve an amendment to the construction contract with Bauman Landscape and Construction Inc. for the Golden Gate Park 9th Avenue Gateway (Sourcing Event ID. #0000007657) to amend the construction contract duration to 330 days, reflecting a 90 day increase to the duration last approved by the Commission.

Supported By

RPD Staff
Inner Sunset Park Neighbors
Inner Sunset Merchants Association

Opposed By

None known

GGP 9th Avenue Gateway Construction Photos



New paving and stonework at northwest corner of intersection



New paving looking south at northwest corner of intersection



New paving looking north at northwest corner of intersection. Future "Golden Gate Park" boulder sign in foreground.



Ongoing masonry work and stair installation on northeast corner of intersection (final paving, irrigation, planting and electrical work is forthcoming)