

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019 -**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY  
APPROVING A 24-YEAR PUBLIC INTEREST AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA COASTAL CONSERVANCY AND THE OCEAN FOUNDATION  
(A SECTION 501(C)(3) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION) FOR PARADISE CREEK  
HABITAT RESTORATION; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE  
THE AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, in April 2017, the City Manager submitted a letter of support to the State of California Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) on behalf of the Ocean Foundation, a Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, for receipt of grant funds for the Paradise Creek Habitat Restoration and Education "Pilot" Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project engages students from Kimball Elementary School and other local partners such as Paradise Creek Educational Foundation, Inc. in the restoration of Paradise Creek and upland transition habitat at Paradise Creek Educational Park; and

WHEREAS, grant funds were subsequently awarded by the Conservancy to the Ocean Foundation, and the "Pilot" Project was successfully completed in February 2018; and

WHEREAS, based on the success of the "Pilot" Project, the Conservancy awarded additional funds in May 2018 and March 2019, to continue habitat restoration efforts under the same program; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Ocean Foundation to continue receiving grant funds to administer this program, both the Ocean Foundation and the City of National City are required to execute a Public Interest Agreement with the Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Agreement is to define the responsibilities of the Ocean Foundation and ensure that if future funds are awarded for the program, the City will not undertake any development projects that impact the wetlands habitat along said portion of Paradise Creek; and

WHEREAS, National City's General Plan identifies this area as a park and natural wetlands habitat; therefore, execution of the Agreement would be consistent with General Plan goals and policies for this area.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of National City hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Resolution approving the 24-year Public Interest Agreement with the State of California Coastal Conservancy and the Ocean Foundation (a section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization) for Paradise Creek Habitat Restoration.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of National City hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute the 24-year Public Interest Agreement with the State of California Coastal Conservancy and the Ocean Foundation (a section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization) for Paradise Creek Habitat Restoration.

**PASSED and ADOPTED this 18th day of June, 2019**

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Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Michael R. Dalla, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Angil Morris-Jones, City Attorney