

## RESOLUTION 2026-###

### **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO APPROPRIATING FY 2025-26 GENERAL FUND DESIGNATED RESERVES (FUND 110) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,755 TO THE CITY-WIDE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT (0505) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO UTILIZE SERVICES FROM EXISTING ON-CALL CONSULTANT, WATEARTH, INC., TO DEVELOP A FINAL CITY-WIDE BEAUTIFICATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2025, the City Council adopted the FY 2025–27 City Council Priority Workplan via Resolution 2025-044, which includes Major Policy Area: Build a Healthy Community and Policy #121 – Explore a New City-wide Beautification Plan;

WHEREAS, Policy #121 identifies key focus areas including landscaping maintenance, street medians, street trees, and a street banner program;

WHEREAS, the City Manager conducted internal staff ideation sessions in late 2025 and early 2026, resulting in a Proposed Draft conceptual City-wide Beautification Plan consisting of fourteen (14) potential capital projects across categories including economic development, public art, street medians, street trees, and other improvements;

WHEREAS, the Proposed Draft Plan was developed using initial planning parameters including project cost limits, annual funding targets, and compliance with applicable City and State requirements and presented to the City Council on January 20, 2026; and

WHEREAS, following City Council review of the conceptual plan, the City Council directed staff by majority vote via minute order to proceed with hiring a project engineer/consultant to develop a final City-wide Beautification Plan, including detailed cost estimates, implementation strategies, and ongoing maintenance needs over the next 3-year period (i.e. FY 2027 – FY 2029);

WHEREAS, staff recommends utilizing Watearth, Inc., an existing on-call consultant, to prepare a final City-wide Beautification Plan;

WHEREAS, the scope of work for Watearth, Inc. includes gathering project information, developing preliminary cost estimates, preparing implementation plans, identifying operations and maintenance costs, and developing a recommended implementation plan aligned with the City Council's target budget of not-to-exceed \$250,000 annually;

WHEREAS, the final deliverable will provide a comprehensive roadmap for implementation of a City-wide Beautification Plan, including cost estimates, funding strategies, and project timelines;

WHEREAS, funding for future implementation in the amount of \$250,000 annually has been incorporated into the proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget for FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28; and

WHEREAS, the final year of the Beautification Plan for FY 2028-29 will be incorporated into the next CIP Budget cycle, with funds allocated as part of the future CIP budget approval/update process; and

WHEREAS, approval of this action will appropriate \$73,755 from FY 202526 General Fund Designated Reserves (Fund 110) for consultant services to develop a final City-wide Beautification Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of San Pablo hereby appropriates \$73,755 from FY 2025-26 General Fund Designated Reserves (Fund 110) to the City-wide Beautification Project (0505) for the purpose of developing a final City-wide Beautification Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San Pablo authorizes the City Manager to utilize Watearth, Inc, an existing on-call consultant, to develop a final City-wide Beautification Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing recitations are true and correct and are included herein by reference as findings.

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ADOPTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026, by the following votes:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:  
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Dorothy Gantt, City Clerk

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Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, Mayor