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**CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

Meeting: June 6, 2017

**Subject**

Approve the Amendment with Friends of the Stevens Creek Trail and the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society for the period extending through June 30, 2018.

**Recommended Action**

Authorize the City Manager to amend a contract with Friends of the Stevens Creek Trail and the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society at McClellan Ranch Preserve for the period extending through June 30, 2018.

**Description**

The City currently has an agreement with both agencies to lease office space at the McClellan Ranch Preserve ranch house.

**Discussion**

The City of Cupertino has maintained a cooperative relationship with Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society and the Friends of Stevens Creek Trail for several years. Both agencies work cooperatively with the Recreation and Community Services Department, as well as the other community partners located at McClellan Ranch Preserve, to enhance the outdoor education for park users. Friends of Stevens Creek Trail (FOSCT) has educated the public about the trail and wildlife corridor benefits, including getting people closer to nature in their own neighborhood, exercise, safer routes to schools, reducing car trips and pollution, and connecting people, neighborhoods, and parks. The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society provides the following community benefits: Wildlife Education Day (free community festival), nest box monitoring, a nature store for park visitors, bird walks for scouts and youth/family groups; and works with school groups from CUSD, just to name a few. Both agencies maintain an ongoing partnership with the City Naturalist and staff at McClellan Ranch Preserve and Grass Roots Ecology.

**Fiscal Impact**

The current lease agreement for the Friends of Stevens Creek Trail and Santa Clara Valley Audubon generates annual revenue of \$10,164.00. Based on the terms of the

lease, the rent will increase by 3% effective July 1, 2017, resulting in an additional \$304 in annual revenue.

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Approved for Submission by: David Brandt, City Manager

Attachments:

A- Audubon Draft Agreement Second Amendment

B- Friends Draft Agreement Second Amendment