City of Westmorland

REPORT TO City Council

MEETING DATE: November 19, 2025

FROM: Laura Fischer, Manager

SUBJECT: Authorize Payment of the 5% Retention in the Amount of $93,272.76 to Cora Construction for the Small Communities Drought Relief Grant Projects.

ISSUE: Shall the City Council Authorize Payment of the 5% Retention in the Amount of $93,272.76 to Cora Construction?

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:
It is recommended that the City Council Authorize Payment of the 5% Retention in the Amount of $93,272.76 to Cora Construction for the Small Communities Drought Relief Grant Projects.

FISCAL IMPACT: Prior to the start of the SCDRG grant project, Council authorized the Reserves of $320,000 to be used to pay any cost overruns and to pay final invoices while we wait for the State to give final approval to begin using our new filter and to provide the City with an updated operating permit. The funds to be paid to Cora with this action item represents the payment of the 5% retention that the city withheld to ensure project completion. The State is still holding 10% of the total grant fund as a retention from the City to ensure we complete the project and secure Water Board approvals and permits.

This project is expected to be over budget by approximately $182,000. About 70,000 can be paid from HUTA funds. For a total additional amount to be used from the Water Fund Reserves of approximately $84,538.76. Once we receive the retention from the State we will provide an accurate and final project accounting to Council.

CONCLUSION:
These expenditures must be paid and the report submitted to the State Water Board, thus it is recommended that Council Authorize Payment of the 5% Retention in the Amount of $93,272.76 to Cora Construction for the Small Communities Drought Relief Grant Projects.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Fischer, Manager

Contractor's Application for Payment

Owner:	City of Westmorland	**Owner's Project No.:**	4600015451
Engineer:	The Holt Group, Inc.	**Engineer's Project No.:**	102.114
Contractor:	Cora Constructors, Inc.	**Contractor's Project No.:**	J440
Project:	WTP Water Filter Replacement Project		
Contract:			

Application No.: 9 - Ret **Application Date:** 8/14/2025

Application Period: **From** 8/1/2025 **to** 8/1/2025

1. Original Contract Price	$	1,916,900.00
2. Net change by Change Orders	$	(51,444.78)
3. Current Contract Price (Line 1 + Line 2)	$	1,865,455.22
4. Total Work completed and materials stored to date (Sum of Column G Lump Sum Total and Column J Unit Price Total)	$	1,865,455.22
5. Retainage		
a. 0% X $ 1,865,455.22 Work Completed = $ -		
b. 0% X $ - Stored Materials = $ -		
c. Total Retainage (Line 5.a + Line 5.b)	$	-
6. Amount eligible to date (Line 4 - Line 5.c)	$	1,865,455.22
7. Less previous payments (Line 6 from prior application)	$	1,772,182.46
8. Amount due this application	$	93,272.76
9. Balance to finish, including retainage (Line 3 - Line 4 + Line 5.c)	$	-

Contractor's Certification

The undersigned Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge, the following:

(1) All previous progress payments received from Owner on account of Work done under the Contract have been applied on account to discharge Contractor's legitimate obligations incurred in connection with the Work covered by prior Applications for Payment;

(2) Title to all Work, materials and equipment incorporated in said Work, or otherwise listed in or covered by this Application for Payment, will pass to Owner at time of payment free and clear of all liens, security interests, and encumbrances (except such as are covered by a bond acceptable to Owner indemnifying Owner against any such liens, security interest, or encumbrances); and

(3) All the Work covered by this Application for Payment is in accordance with the Contract Documents and is not defective.

Contractor: Cora Constructors Inc. - Emir Kocaballi

Signature: Emir Kocaballi [signature] **Date:** 8/18/25

Recommended by Engineer		**Approved by Owner**	
By:	[signature] Juny Marmolejo	**By:**	[signature]
Title:	Resident Engineer	**Title:**	INT. DIR. OF DEV. SERV.
Date:	8-21-2025	**Date:**	8/22/2025

Approved by Funding Agency

By:		**By:**	
Title:		**Title:**	
Date:		**Date:**	

OK to pay 8/25/25
DWR/SCDR Filter Replacement
511-00-6001
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