



## RIVERSIDE CIVIL RIGHTS WALK PROJECT BID 8209

Public Works Department

City Council  
March 24, 2026

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## PROJECT BACKGROUND

1. On August 7, 2023, the Public Works Department was awarded an Active Transportation Program Cycle VI grant application to connect multiple points of historic interest in the Downtown and adjoining areas to create a Riverside Civil Rights Walk
2. On December 12, 2023, City Council authorized the Public Works Department to accept of an additional \$876,000 in grant funds (total project cost of \$3,216,000) for the Civil Rights Walk
3. On November 5, 2025, Bid No. 8209 for the construction of the Riverside Civil Rights Walk Project (Project) was posted on Planet Bids seeking prospective bidders to construct improvements
4. On December 2, 2025, three (3) bids were received for the construction of the Project (Attachment 3). The lowest responsive and responsible bid was received from Universal Construction and Engineering of Palm Desert, California, in the amount of \$2,711,717.16, which is 3.47% below the original Engineer's Estimate of \$2,809,323.28

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## LOCATION MAP

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## PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

- Reconstruct sidewalks, driveways, curb ramps
- Install Accessible Pedestrian Signals at 10 traffic signals;
- High Visibility Crosswalks
- LED Warning Signage

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# PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

- 24 Monuments
- 1.8 miles thermoplastic pathway
- 4.7 miles of wayfinding signage

## DOSAN AHN CHANG HO

### A Unique First for Democracy

On March 23, 1904, Dosan Ahn Chang Ho (1878-1938) moved from Korea to San Francisco and then to Riverside, fleeing Japan's growing control of Korea. Dosan established the Korean Labor Bureau (Korean Employment Bureau). In 1905, he founded Pachappa Camp, the first Koreatown in the United States.



The Provisional Government of the Republic of Korea was founded in Shanghai on April 1, 1919, in response to Japanese rule over Korea. Dosan Ahn Chang-Ho is pictured in the center of the front row.

In 1909, Dosan helped found the Korean National Association of North America, which met in Riverside in 1911. Dosan Ahn Chang Ho led the Korean independence movement against Japan as chair of the Korean National Association in North America and acting premier of the Korean Provisional Government in Shanghai. He died in Japanese custody in 1938.



The Korean National Association Conference held in Riverside in 1911.



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# PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

- 10 decorative signal wraps
- 4 decorative crosswalk intersections



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PUBLIC OUTREACH		
Date	Public Outreach	Location
10/30/2023	Stakeholder Meeting #1	Virtual
9/25/2024	Mayor's Multicultural Forum	City Hall
9/30/2024	APA Conference Walking Tour	Riverside Convention Center
3/17/2025	Downtown Area Neighborhood Alliance (DANA)	Izaak Walton Building at Fairmount Park
2/12/2025	Stakeholder Meeting #2	Virtual
5/14/2025	Public Meeting	Main Library


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PROJECT TIMELINE	
Date	Project Activities
3/24/2026	City Council awards project
April 2026	Contractor preconstruction activities (coordination, schedule, notify public, material submittals)
<b>May 2026</b>	<b>Construction breaks ground</b> Concrete and hardscape work to be completed first and Monument and Wayfinding Signs to be installed towards end of project
<b>September 2026</b>	<b>Construction Completed</b>
October 2026	Ribbon-cutting ceremony


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## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **Award Bid No. 8209** for the construction of the Riverside Civil Rights Walk Project to Universal Construction and Engineering, Inc. of Palm Desert, California, in the amount of \$2,711,717.16 plus a 10% contingency for the active transportation improvement project for a total amount of \$2,928,888.88; and
2. **Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Construction Contract with Universal Construction and Engineering, Inc.** including making minor and non-substantial changes, subject to the availability of budgeted funds.



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