

RESOLUTION NO. 52-15

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
AUTHORIZING SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR AS-NEEDED CEQA AND NEPA
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$1,000,000 PER VENDOR OVER A THREE YEAR PERIOD WITH AN OPTION
TO EXTEND FOR ONE YEAR**

WHEREAS, the Planning and Building Services Department anticipates needing services for CEQA and NEPA environmental services for project review and advanced planning projects; and

WHEREAS, the project-by-project bidding process for these services can take up to four months and involves significant per-project staff time and costs; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Building Services Department has demonstrated that the use of professionals drawn from a list of service firms that have undergone a competitive process eliminates much of the delay and costs associated with project-by-project bidding; and

WHEREAS, in December 2014, the Richmond Planning and Building Services Department issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for NEPA and CEQA environmental consulting services through the City's BidsOnline system; and

WHEREAS, 826 firms were notified and 93 firms downloaded the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, 29 firms responded to the RFQ and all were reviewed by a panel consisting of Planning and Building Services Department and Engineering Services staff; and

WHEREAS, in evaluating the proposals, the panel evaluated the responses based on each firm's technical qualifications and experience, qualifications and experience of key project staff and sub-consultants, and their service/project understanding approach; and

WHEREAS, the firms recommended for the CEQA and NEPA Environmental Consulting Services On-call list are:

1. AEM CONSULTING
2. AES
3. CIRCLE POINT
4. DAVID J. POWERS & ASSOCIATES, INC.
5. DOUGLAS HERRING & ASSOCIATES
6. ESA
7. FIRST CARBON SOLUTIONS
8. GRASSETTI ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING
9. ICF INTERNATIONAL
10. LEANN TAAGEPERA
11. LSA ASSOCIATES, INC.
12. NCE
13. PLACEWORKS
14. PMC
15. URBAN PLANNING PARTNERS INC.

WHEREAS, each as-needed service contract would be for an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000, over a three year period, with an option to extend for one year; and

WHEREAS, firms will be selected to provide as-needed CEQA and NEPA Environmental consulting services for project review and evaluation, and advanced planning projects; and

WHEREAS, firms on the on-call list will be selected to perform specific project-related work based on their specialty and availability to complete the work; and

WHEREAS, if multiple proposals are solicited, the best value firm will be selected; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Building Services Department will manage the contracts, and the costs of each contract will be paid by the applicant, grants, and/or development impact fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Richmond hereby authorizes the Planning and Building Services Department to enter into Service Contracts for as-needed CEQA and NEPA environmental consulting services with the above mentioned firms, for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 per vendor over a three year period, with an option to extend for one year.

I CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 2, 2015 by the following vote:

- AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, Pimplé, Vice Mayor Myrick, and Mayor Butt.
- NOES: None.
- ABSTENTIONS: None.
- ABSENT: Councilmember McLaughlin.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

TOM BUTT
Mayor

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa } : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 52-15**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on June 2, 2015.


Pamela Christian, City Clerk of the City of Richmond