

RESOLUTION NO. 30-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,
AUTHORIZING SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR ON-CALL 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 TWO YEARS**

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 an on-call list of firms that have undergone a competitive process eliminates much of the delay and costs associated with project-by-project bidding; and

WHEREAS, in February 2019, 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, 1049 firms were notified and 71 firms downloaded the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, 17 firms responded to the RFQ and all were reviewed by a panel consisting of Planning and Building Services Department, City Manager's Office and Successor Agency 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 subconsultants, their service approach, and project understanding; and

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

1. Analytical Environmental Services
2. De Novo Planning Group
3. Douglas Herring & Associates
4. ESA
5. FirstCarbon Solutions
6. Leann Taagepera Environmental Planning
7. LSA Associates, Inc.
8. NCE
9. Placeworks
10. Rincon Consultants, Inc.
11. Stantec
12. Urban Planning Partners

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 two years; 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, the Planning and Building Services Department will manage the contracts, and the costs of each contract will be paid by the project applicant, and/or grants.

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 on-call 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 two years.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held May 21, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Johnson, Martinez, Myrick, Willis, Vice Chair Choi, and Mayor Butt.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: Councilmember Bates.

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. 30-19**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on May 21, 2019.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond