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February 9, 2006

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REFER TO FILE: **C-1**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute the following Consultant Services Agreements for a term of one year with two 1-year renewal options.

Freeman Alternative Resources, Inc., for construction inspection services for a total annual fee not to exceed \$1,400,000.

Willdan, for construction inspection services for a total annual fee not to exceed \$400,000.

SA Associates, for construction inspection services for a total annual fee not to exceed \$400,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

To award Consultant Services Agreements and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute contracts with the recommended consultants to provide as-needed construction-related services in support of various public works construction projects located throughout the County.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Consultant Services Agreements will provide for services facilitating the delivery of various public works construction projects. These actions are consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness. The use of as-needed consultant services agreements has enabled us to better manage fluctuations in workload, thereby providing responsive service to our clients.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These three consultant agreements have a combined maximum annual cost of \$2,200,000. The Agreements will be funded by various funds for public works construction under our purview. No services will be ordered without the funding approval of the Financial Management Branch.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard Consultant Services Agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used for each consultant. The Agreements will be for a term of one year with two 1-year renewable options. The Agreements include a clause for termination of services upon prior written notice and a renegotiation clause as directed by your Board.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Freeman Alternative Resources, Inc., Willdan, and SA Associates are willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence Program participants for future employment.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the Agreements stating that the Consultants shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, about Board Policy 5.135, the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, and that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws.

Freeman Alternative Resources, Inc., Willdan, and SA Associates are in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and Chapter 2.203 (Jury Service Program).

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

A finding of environmental impact is not required for consultant services agreements for construction inspection services.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On August 8, 2005, we issued the Request for Proposals to 75 firms. Eleven firms responded to the request. An evaluation committee consisting of Public Works' civil engineering staff evaluated the proposals. The evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on the review and evaluation of the proposals, we are recommending Freeman Alternative Resources, Inc., Willdan, and SA Associates as the best qualified firms to perform construction inspection services.

We have evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.020) does not apply to the recommended contract, as this contract is for non-Proposition A services.

As requested by your Board on February 3, 1998, and to further increase awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, a Request for Proposals for these services was listed on the County website for upcoming bids (copy enclosed).

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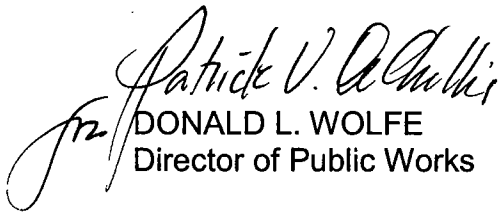
Approval of the recommended action, to enter into consultant services agreements with Freeman Alternative Resources, Inc., Willdan, and SA Associates, will allow us to be responsive to increases in our workload and provide quality control for our projects. Without these as-needed construction inspection services to supplement our technical staff, we can anticipate less stringent compliance with the plans and specifications, which would result in higher operation and maintenance costs during the life of the constructed facilities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Donald L. Wolfe".
DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN Program)

Award information has not been added at this time.

Bid Information

Bid Number : AEDM000042

Bid Title : AS-NEEDED CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION AND TECHNICAL STAFFING SERVICES

Bid Type : Service

Department : Public Works

Commodity : CONSULTING SERVICES - CONSTRUCTION

Open Date : 8/8/2005

Closing Date : 9/7/2005 4:00 PM

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Bid Amount : N/A

Bid Download : Not Available

Bid Description : The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works is inviting proposals from qualified firms to provide construction inspection and technical support staffing services for various locations throughout Los Angeles County, California. The objective of this solicitation is to select up to three firms that are best qualified to provide the requested services.

FOR FASTEST REPOSE, PLEASE EMAIL YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION AND THE RFP WILL THEN BE EMAILED TO YOU.

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