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February 14, 2012

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:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:
AS-NEEDED SERVICES FOR GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING, MATERIALS TESTING, AND INSPECTION; ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION, AND MONITORING; MAPPING AND SURVEY
VARIOUS COUNTY AND CAPITAL PROJECTS
AWARD CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action will award and authorize the execution of consultant services agreements for as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services; as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services; and as-needed mapping and survey services to be utilized on various County capital and refurbishment projects.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to execute consultant services agreements with Geocon West, Inc.; Kleinfelder; Ninyo & Moore; and URS Corporation Americas to provide as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services for various County projects for a three-year term with two optional one-year extensions commencing on the date of the initial Notice to Proceed, for a not-to-exceed total of $600,000 each, for the full contract term, inclusive of any optional extensions.

2. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to execute consultant services agreements with AMEC E&I, Inc. (previously known as MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc.); Andersen Environmental; and Ninyo & Moore to provide as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services for various County projects for a three-year term with two optional one-year extensions commencing on the date of the initial Notice to Proceed, for a not-to-exceed total of $500,000 each, for the full contract term, inclusive of any optional extensions.

3. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to execute consultant services agreements with Coast Surveying, Inc.; Penfield & Smith; and Towill, Inc., to provide as-needed mapping and survey services for various County projects for a three-year term with two optional one-year extensions commencing on the date of the initial Notice to Proceed, for a not-to-exceed total of $300,000 each, for the full contract term, inclusive of any optional extensions.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to approve and execute any of the optional one-year extensions relating to the aforementioned contracts.

5. Authorize the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to extend the term of the new agreements beyond the five-year period as necessary for the purpose of allowing the consultants to continue providing services on those projects that are underway, but have not yet reached completion by the expiration date of the contract, subject to the respective not-to-exceed monetary limits applicable to the aforementioned contracts.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions to execute consultant services agreements with the firms mentioned in this letter will enable the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to provide as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services; as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services; and as-needed mapping and survey services for capital and refurbishment projects located throughout the County.

Public Works will utilize the geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services consultants to procure geotechnical/soils reports that will be used by architects/engineers (A/E) to design a project's structural system. The consultants will also provide deputy inspection services during construction. Environmental testing,

inspection, and monitoring services consultants will test for and provide reports that identify hazardous materials, such as asbestos and lead-based paint, present in existing buildings. During construction, the consultants will provide independent monitoring services to ensure hazardous materials are properly removed and disposed of by the contractor. Mapping and survey services consultants will provide topographic surveys, boundary maps, and American Land Title Association surveys. The surveys will be used by A/E for the design of improvements.

When services are required for a project, a project-specific scope of work will be negotiated and authorized within the contract limitations. The expiration date of the agreements is subject to the following condition: Where services for a given project have been started, but are not completed prior to the stated expiration date, the expiration date of such agreements will be automatically extended as necessary to allow for completion of such services. This is to ensure that there is no loss of continuity of services. In all events, however, the work authorizations will be subject to the respective not-to-exceed monetary limits applicable to said contracts.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) by increasing our ability to manage fluctuations in workload in a responsive manner and provide responsive, efficient, and high-quality public services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

No impact on the County's General Fund is expected from the recommended actions.

Each of the four agreements for as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services will be executed for a not-to-exceed amount of $600,000. Each of the three agreements for as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services will be executed for a not-to-exceed amount of $500,000. Each of the three agreements for as-needed mapping and survey services will be executed for a not-to-exceed amount of $300,000.

The agreements will be funded by various County capital and/or refurbishment projects. Sufficient funding for the specified consultant services agreements will be budgeted in project budgets, which shall be recommended for your Board's approval.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard consultant services agreement, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The recommended agreements were solicited on an open-competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The consultants are in compliance with the requirements of the Chief Executive Officer and your Board. The agreements will be in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

Award of the agreements will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The agreements will contain terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including, but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) and General Relief Opportunities for Work (GROW) Programs, (Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; and the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

Data regarding the proposers' minority participation is on file with Public Works.

The agreements include a cost-of-living adjustment provision in accordance with your Board's policy, which was approved on January 29, 2002.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed actions are not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is an activity that is excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The proposed action, to establish consultant services agreements for anticipated future projects, is an administrative activity of government, which will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment. We will return to your Board as necessary for consideration of appropriate environmental documentation pursuant to CEQA prior to the commencement of any activities under the agreements, which may constitute a project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On January 31, 2011, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to 46 firms for the as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services. On the same date, Public Works issued a RFP to 112 firms for as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services, and a RFP to 53 firms for as-needed mapping and survey services. On February 28, 2011, 15 firms submitted proposals for the as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services; 23 firms submitted proposals for the as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services; and 11 firms submitted proposals for the mapping and survey services. An individual Evaluation Committee (one for each solicitation), consisting of Public Works staff from Architectural Engineering, Construction, Project Management I, and Project Management II Divisions, evaluated the proposals. The evaluations were 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 review and evaluation of the proposals, the Evaluation Committee recommended Geocon West, Inc.; Kleinfelder; Ninyo & Moore; and URS Corporation Americas as the best-qualified firms to perform the as-needed geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection services; AMEC E&I, Inc. (previously known as MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc.); Andersen Environmental; and Ninyo & Moore as the best-qualified firms to perform the as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services; and Coast Surveying, Inc.; Penfield & Smith; and Towill, Inc., as the best-qualified firms to perform the as-needed mapping and survey services.

AMEC E&I, Inc., the recommended firm for the as-needed environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring services, submitted its proposal as MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc., and subsequently changed its name to AMEC E&I, Inc., during the proposal evaluation stage.

As required by your Board on February 3, 1998, the RFPs were listed on the Doing Business with Us website. A copy of the website postings are attached for your reference.

AMEC E&I's, Andersen Environmental's, Coast Surveying's, Geocon West's, Kleinfelder's, Ninyo & Moore's, Penfield & Smith's, Towill's, and URS Corporation Americas' Community Business Enterprises participation data and three-year contracting histories are on file with Public Works.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the recommended agreements as these agreements are for non-Proposition A services.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects as a result of authorizing the recommended consultant services agreements. These agreements will provide necessary as-needed services for geotechnical engineering, materials testing, and inspection; environmental testing, inspection, and monitoring; and mapping and survey in an efficient manner, enhancing the delivery of County capital and refurbishment projects.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and the Department of Public Works, Architectural Engineering and Project Management II Divisions.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Public Works

Award Information has not been added at this time.

Bid Information

Bid Number : AED000131
Bid Title : As-Need Environmental Testing, Inspection, and Monitoring Services
Bid Type : Service
Department : Public Works
Commodity : CONSULTING SERVICES - ENVIRONMENTAL
Open Date : 1/31/2011
Closing Date : 2/28/2011 2:00 PM
Notice of Intent to Award : View Detail
Bid Amount : N/A
Bid Download : Not Available
Bid Description : The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (Public Works) is inviting proposals from qualified firms to provide As-Needed Environmental Testing, Inspection, and Monitoring Services for various locations throughout Los Angeles County.

The objective of this solicitation is to select up to two firms that are best qualified to provide the requested services. The initial Contract period will be for 3 years commencing on the issuance of the first Notice to Proceed. At the County of Los Angeles' (County) option, and with written mutual agreement, the Agreement may be extended for two additional 1-year terms.

To obtain further information please email the contact below.

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Award information has not been added at this time.

Bid Information

Bid Number : AED000132
Bid Title : As-Needed Mapping and Survey Services
Bid Type : Service
Department : Public Works
Commodity : MAPS, ENGINEER AND TOPOGRAPHICAL
Open Date : 1/31/2011
Closing Date : 2/28/2011 2:00 PM
Notice of Intent to Award : View Detail
Bid Amount : N/A
Bid Download : Not Available
Bid Description : The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (Public Works) is inviting proposals from qualified firms to provide As-Needed Mapping and Survey Services for various locations throughout Los Angeles County.

The objective of this solicitation is to select up to three firms that are best qualified to provide the requested services. The initial Contract period will be for 3 years commencing on the issuance of the first Notice to Proceed. At the County of Los Angeles' (County) option, and with written mutual agreement, the Agreement may be extended for two additional 1-year terms.

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Notice to Proposers "A" issued on February 24, 2011.

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Bid Information

Bid Number : AED000133
Bid Title : As-Needed Geotechnical Engineering, Materials Testing, and Inspection Services
Bid Type : Commodity
Department : Public Works
Commodity : CONSULTING SERVICES-GEOLOGICAL AND STUDY
Open Date : 1/31/2011
Closing Date : 2/28/2011 2:00 PM
Notice of Intent to Award : View Detail
Bid Amount : N/A
Bid Download : Not Available
Bid Description : The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (Public Works) is inviting proposals from qualified firms to provide As-Needed Geotechnical Engineering, Materials Testing, and Inspection Services for various locations throughout Los Angeles County.

The objective of this solicitation is to select up to four firms that are best qualified to provide the requested services. The initial Contract period will be for 3 years commencing on the issuance of the first Notice to Proceed. At the County of Los Angeles' (County) option, and with written mutual agreement, the Agreement may be extended for two additional 1-year terms.

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