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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEM
AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR THE
MARINA DEL REY 18-INCH WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PHASE II PROJECT
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to enter into a consultant services agreement for environmental services for the construction of the Marina del Rey 18-inch Waterline Replacement Phase II project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEM:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to enter into a consultant services agreement with RBF Consulting for environmental services including biological and archeological monitoring support services for the Marina del Rey 18-inch Waterline Replacement Phase II project for a not-to-exceed fee of \$192,700 including \$10,200 for as-needed monitoring.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will allow the Department of Public Works (Public Works), on behalf of the Los Angeles County Marina del Rey Water System, to hire a qualified biologist and archeologist to conduct required surveys within the project limits for the duration of construction activities and in part fulfill the requirements of the environmental documents approved by your Board of Supervisors (Board) on August 29, 2006.

The project will replace aging 10-inch-, 12-inch-, and 14-inch-diameter water pipes with 18-inch-diameter water pipes that will enable the water system to meet current fire-flow requirements and enhance water system reliability.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended action will help meet these goals by enabling the water system to meet current fire-flow requirements for existing high-rise structures and enhance water system reliability.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The recommended consultant services agreement is for a not-to-exceed fee of \$192,700, including \$10,200 for as-needed monitoring. Additional work will not be performed without prior written authorization from the Director of Public Works or her designee. Funding for the agreement is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-11 Marina del Rey Water System Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund (N59).

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

RBF Consulting was selected in 2009 following the contracting process set forth below pursuant to the California Government Code, Section 4526, et seq. Public Works will complete the negotiation of the agreement pursuant to the California Government Code, Section 4528.

RBF Consulting has demonstrated satisfactory compliance with the County of Los Angeles Code, Chapters 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service program).

The agreement will be based on the form included in the 2009 Request for Proposals, which has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. Additionally, the agreement will contain special provisions requiring RBF Consulting to comply with the Safely Surrendered Baby Law and the standard provisions mandated by your Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The consultant services under this agreement do not constitute a project or approval of a project pursuant to Section 301 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Pursuant to the California Government Code, Section 4526, et seq., on September 2, 2009, Public Works sent out a Request for Proposals to develop a select list of qualified engineering consultants

to provide design and inspection services including biological and archeological monitoring support for water distribution systems for Public Works on an as-needed basis. The select list is utilized on an ongoing basis and allows Public Works to obtain the specified consultant services expeditiously and for the concurrent completion of work. The proposals were sent to 22 firms, advertised on the County's Doing Business with Us website, listed on the Office of Small Business website, and placed in several publications. In their selected order, the firms determined to be best qualified were RMC Water and Environment, RBF Consulting, Cannon, MWH, Bureau Veritas, and AKM Consulting.

The firms are assigned work with abridged Requests for Proposals in the selected order. On September 14, 2010, your Board awarded a consultant services agreement to RMC Water and Environment, the first consultant on the list. Therefore, Public Works is recommending the award of the second agreement to RBF Consulting, the second firm on the list.

Participation by Community Business Enterprises (CBE) is encouraged through Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and the requirement that consultants demonstrate their good faith efforts to utilize CBEs. RBF Consulting is aware of Public Works' CBE Outreach Program, and its proposed CBE participation is on file with Public Works.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended consultant services.

CONCLUSION

Please return two adopted copies of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Waterworks Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
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