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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT CORE SERVICE AREA
AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR
ON-CALL GEOTECHNICAL AND SPECIAL INSPECTION SERVICES
FOR VARIOUS COUNTY HEALTHCARE PROJECTS
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3-VOTES)

SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to award consultant services agreements to provide On-Call Geotechnical and Special Inspection Services for various County healthcare projects.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed action is not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter.

2. Award and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute six consultant services agreements with each of the following: one small sized firm (Geotechnical Professionals, Inc.); one medium-sized firm (Koury Engineering and Testing, Inc.); and four large-sized firms (Kleinfelder, AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Twining, Inc., and Smith Emery Laboratories) to provide On-Call Geotechnical and Special Inspection Services for various County healthcare projects. Each contract will be for an initial amount of $5,000,000 and a 3-year term plus four 1-year extension options, subject to the additional extension provisions specified below.

3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to authorize additional services and extend the contract expiration date as necessary to complete those additional services when

those additional services are: (1) previously unforeseen, (2) related to a previously assigned scope of work on a given project, and (3) are necessary for the completion of that given project.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to supplement the initial $5,000,000 contract amount by up to $330,000 per amendment based on workload requirements. The aggregate amount of such amendments shall not exceed 25 percent of the initial contract amount or $1,250,000, for a maximum not to-exceed contract amount of $6,250,000.

5. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to administer the agreements and at the discretion of the Director of Public Works or his designee to exercise the options to extend these agreements for four 1-year extension options based upon project demands and the level of satisfaction with the services provided with no change to the contract amounts, and to suspend/terminate these agreements for convenience if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to award six consultant services agreements for On-Call Geotechnical and Special Inspection Services to support County healthcare projects.

Public Works currently manages multiple construction projects at the various medical campuses and clinics located throughout the County, including those at the Harbor UCLA, Olive View-UCLA, Los Angeles General, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Centers, as well as the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, and High Desert Regional Health Center. Approval to utilize geotechnical and special inspections consultants will ensure that the construction material and processes used by the contractors comply with the Department of Health Care Access and Information and other jurisdictional agencies' code requirements and standards.

The recommended on-call consultant services agreements with Geotechnical Professionals, Inc., Koury Engineering and Testing, Inc., Kleinfelder, AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Twining, Inc., and Smith Emery Laboratories would give Public Works access to these geotechnical and special inspection services, which are necessary to complete current and future healthcare projects.

The proposed scope of work for the geotechnical consultant services includes soil and geologic exploration, analysis, and recommendations to support the project design. The services also include geotechnical monitoring and testing, site investigations and analyses, and materials sampling and testing as required by applicable jurisdictional agencies and directed by the County's Project Manager. The proposed scope of work for the special inspection consultant services includes all code-required quality assurance/quality control inspections and materials testing required by the Department of Health Care Access and Information and other jurisdictional agencies, including inspections and testing of concrete, structural steel, welding, anchorage pull tests, fireproofing, medical gas systems, hazardous materials monitoring, and other required special inspection services.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 1, Make Investments that Transform Lives, Focus Area Goal A, Healthy Individuals and Families, Strategy ii, Improve Health Outcomes, by promoting comprehensive and inclusive care through investments in public healthcare infrastructure that enhance the quality and delivery of healthcare services to Los Angeles County residents; and North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, Focus Area Goal F, Flexible

and Efficient Infrastructure, Strategy ii, Modernize Infrastructure, by supporting the modernization of obsolete healthcare infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended six On-Call Geotechnical and Special Inspection Services agreements are for a $5,000,000 not-to-exceed amount each and a combined total of $30,000,000. The agreements may be supplemented by up to $330,000 per amendment based on workload requirements. The aggregate amount for such amendments shall not exceed 25 percent ($1,250,000) of the original contract amount based on Public Works' needs. The agreements will be funded by current and future Board approved capital project budgets.

Sufficient funding to finance work orders for these agreements will be financed through each individual project's fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Standard consultant service agreements, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The consultant service agreements contain terms and conditions in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and the Board's requirements.

The term of the consultant services agreements would commence on the date of the full execution of the contract and extend for a period of 3 years from such commencement date, plus four 1-year extension options for each firm for a maximum contract duration of 7 years. The expiration of the agreement would also subject to the following condition: Where services for a given project have been authorized by the County but are not completed by the consultant prior to the stated expiration date, the expiration date will be automatically extended solely to allow for the completion of such services.

The Enclosure reflects the consultant's minority participation and the Community Business Enterprises participation data.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act because they are excluded from the definition of a project by the California Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Section 15378 (b) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines. The proposed activities involve administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment and are excluded from the definition of a project. Additionally, the proposed actions are a government funding mechanism that does not involve any commitment to a specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On January 12, 2026, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP was advertised on the County's "Doing Business with LA County" (https://lacounty.gov/business/doing-business-with-la-county/) and "Do Business with Public Works" (https://dpw.lacounty.gov/contracts/) websites. The RFP was published on X (formerly Twitter), and in the Los Angeles Daily Journal, Los Angeles Sentinel, La Opinión, San Gabriel Valley Tribune, Pasadena Star News, Santa Monica Daily Press,

The Signal, and World Journal. Also, Public Works informed 1,726 Local Small Business Enterprises, 136 Social Enterprises, 196 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises, 1,446 Community Business Enterprises, and 1,385 Community-Based Organizations about this business opportunity. The Department of Economic Opportunity informed 64 clients with the North American Industry Classification System code. Public Works advertised this RFP in a weekly e-mail newsletter with over 32,000 subscribers. Nine firms responded to the RFP.

The RFP allowed firms to compete as primes in one of three categories: small, medium, or large-sized firms. Each firm was requested to certify its own size based on the number of personnel for competition with other firms in the same size category. The RFP stated that a total of six firms would be awarded contracts as follows: two small-sized firms (with 25 or fewer personnel), two medium-sized firms (with 26 to 75 personnel), and two large sized firm (with over 75 personnel). The County reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of selected firms in any category or the total number of contracts. Additionally, the RFP included a minimum threshold score of 50 percent to be eligible for award of contract. Any firms receiving less than 50 percent of the total score may be disqualified from consideration for contract award.

On February 10, 2026, a total of nine proposals were received (two small-sized firms, one medium-sized firm, and six large-sized firms).

An evaluation committee consisting of Public Works' staff evaluated the proposals based on the criteria described in the RFP, including technical expertise, experience, personnel, qualifications, understanding of the work requirements, and price. During evaluation of the proposals, one small-sized firm was disqualified due to scoring below the threshold. Since only one medium-sized firm proposal was received, and only one small-sized firm met the threshold, Public Works is recommending two additional contracts to large-sized firms, for a total of six contracts. Based on the evaluation of the proposals, the following firms were selected without regard to race, creed, color, or gender: one small-sized firm (Geotechnical Professionals, Inc.), one medium-sized firm (Koury Engineering and Testing, Inc.), and four large-sized firms (Kleinfelder, AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Twining, Inc., and Smith Emery Laboratories). The selected firms represent the highest-ranked firms best qualified to provide the required services. Public Works has determined that the firms' proposed rates for performing the services are reasonable. A 3-year contracting history for the selected firms is on file with Public Works.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.201 (Living Wage Program) does not apply to the recommended agreements. These agreements are exempt from the requirements of Proposition A because the services are required on a part-time and intermittent basis. Public Works notified the applicable labor union, California Association of Professional Employees, of this solicitation.

The consultant services agreements include a cost-of-living adjustment provision in accordance with Board Policy No. 5.070 - Multi-Year Services Contract Cost-of-Living Adjustments.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects as a result of the award of the recommended On-Call Geotechnical and Special Inspection Services agreements. Approval of the recommended agreements will allow Public Works to facilitate delivery of the construction of current and future County healthcare projects.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to Public Works, Project Management Division I.

Respectfully submitted,

MARK PESTRELLA, PE
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Christine Frias, Cynthia Zapata)
County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

ENCLOSURE

PROPOSERS' UTILIZATION PARTICIPATION AND COMMUNITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR ON-CALL GEOTECHNICAL AND SPECIAL INSPECTION SERVICES FOR VARIOUS COUNTY HEALTHCARE PROJECTS

SELECTED FIRMS

	Proposer Name (**Prime** with subcontractors* listed below**)** *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	**Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE)**	**Small Business Enterprise (SBE)**	**Minority**	**Women-Owned**	**Disadvantaged Business**	**Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise**	**Social Enterprise**	**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning-Owned Business Enterprise**
	Small-Sized Business Category								
1	**Geotechnical Professionals, Inc.**		X						
	Dick Nigra Inspections	X	X		X				
	American Integrated Services			X					
	AP Engineering and Testing		X	X		X			
	2R Drilling		X						
	Gold Construction Services		X		X	X			
	Harpers Backhoe		X						
	Project X Corrosion Engineers			X					
	SoCal Drilling Company		X						
	Spectrum Geophysics	X	X						
	Choice Drilling		X						
	Fenagh Engineering and Testing								
	Altec Tesing & Engineering								
	Terra Geosciences								
	Construction Testing Services (CTS)								
	Kehoe Testing		X						
	California Traffic Control								
	Certerra Subsurfaces Imaging								
	Wallace Laboratories								
	GeoLogic, Inc.								

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	Medium-Sized Business Category								
2	**Koury Engineering & Testing, Inc.**								
	Anbessaw dba The Qaulity Firm	X	X	X		X			X
	A-Tech Consulting	X	X						
	The Anaheim Group		X	X	X	X			
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	Large-Sized Business Category								
3	**Kleinfelder**								
	Anbessaw Consulting Inc. dba The Quality Firm	X	X	X		X			X
	AP Enginering & Testing, Inc.	X	X	X		X			
	ASSET Laboratories, Inc.		X	X	X				
	2R Drilling, Inc.		X						
	Belshire Environmental Services, Inc.		X						
	American Integrated Services, Inc.			X					
	GEOVision, Inc.		X						
	SGS North America Inc.								
	J & H Drilling Co., Inc. dba M R Drilling		X						
	Gregg Drilling LLC		X	X		X			

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4	**AECOM Technical Services**								
	2R Drilling, Inc.		X						
	Advanced Technology Laboratories	X	X	X		X			
	American Integrated Services, Inc.			X					
	AP Engineering & Testing, Inc.	X	X	X		X			
	Belshire Environmental Services, Inc.		X						
	BC2 Environmental LLC		X						
	California Barricade		X	X		X			
	Earthspectives HKR Engineering Inc, dba Earthspectives		X						
	Gasteiger Engineering LLC			X		X			
	GEOVision, Inc.		X						
	Gregg Drilling & Testing Inc.		X	X		X			
	Kehoe Testing & Engineering, Inc.								
	Martini Drilling Corporatino			X		X			
	SafeProbe		X						
	SoCal Drilling Company		X						
	The Quality Firm	X	X	X		X			X
	TriCounty Drilling		X		X	X			
5	**Twining, Inc.**								
	Ensafe, Inc.								
	Ultrasystems Environmental, Inc.		X		X				
	GEOVision, Inc.		X						
	Gregg Drilling, LLC.		X			X			
	Belshire Environmental Services, Inc.		X						
	Kehoe Testing & Engineering		X						
	Strategic Building Services (SBS)								

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6	**Smith Emery Laboratories**								
	AESCO Technologies, Inc.		X			X			
	WSP								
	NON-SELECTED FIRMS								
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	Small Business Category								
1	**California Testing & Inspections, Inc.**	X	X	X	X	X			
2	**Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc.**								
3	**RMA Group**								

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FIRM INFORMATION*	Geotechnical Professionals, Inc.	Koury Engineering & Testing, Inc.	Kleinfelder	AECOM Technical Services	Twining, Inc.	Smith Emery Laboratories	n/a
BUSINESS STRUCTURE	Corporation	Corporation	Corporation	Corporation	Corporation		
CULTURAL/ETHNIC COMPOSITION	**NUMBER/% OF OWNERSHIP**						
OWNERS/PARTNERS Black/African American							
Hispanic/Latino	1						
Asian or Pacific Islander							
Native American							
Subcontinent Asian							
White	5	2			2	2	
Female (included above)		1					
Total No. of Employees	22	45	3,002	13,269	354	325	
COUNTY CERTIFICATION							
CBE	N	N	N	N	N		
LSBE	N	N	N	N	N		
OTHER CERTIFYING AGENCY	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

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