

1 [Emergency Contracts - Cotton, Shires and Associates, Inc.; ARUP North America Limited;  
2 and Geostabilization International - Not to Exceed \$5,920,709]

3 **Resolution approving three emergency public work contracts under Administrative**  
4 **Code, Section 6.60, with Cotton, Shires and Associates, Inc.; ARUP North America**  
5 **Limited; and Geostabilization International for the Telegraph Hill Rock Slope**  
6 **Improvement Project to provide design support and stabilization and construction of**  
7 **the Northwest face of Telegraph Hill above Lombard and Winthrop Streets below**  
8 **Pioneer Park and Coit Tower with a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,920,709.**  
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10 WHEREAS, On January 23, 2012, there was a rockslide from the northwest slope of  
11 Telegraph Hill onto Lombard Street, crushing a car, narrowly missing a residential  
12 condominium complex and threatening two other adjacent properties; and

13 WHEREAS, The City took immediate measures to temporarily secure Telegraph Hill;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, San Francisco Public Works developed the Telegraph Hill Rock Slope  
16 Improvement Project to stabilize Telegraph Hill on behalf the San Francisco Recreation and  
17 Parks Department (RPD), and the Department of Building Inspection (DBI); and

18 WHEREAS, Because the risk of rock slides increases in the winter months, San  
19 Francisco Public Works Director Nuru declared an emergency on July 7, 2014, affirming and  
20 recognizing that the instability of the hillside jeopardizes the health, safety and property of the  
21 Citizens of the City and County of San Francisco; the Emergency Order and Award is on file  
22 with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150673, which is hereby declared to be  
23 a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

24 WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Section 6.60, authorizes department heads  
25 responsible for public work to award an emergency contract, exempt from the competitive

1 bidding process, in the event of an actual emergency which includes the “breakdown or  
2 imminent breakdown of any plant, equipment, structure, street or public work necessitating  
3 immediate emergency repair or reconditioning to safeguard the lives or property of the  
4 citizens; or the property of the City and County; or to maintain the public health or welfare;”  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Section 6.60(D), requires that the Board of  
7 Supervisors approve emergency work with an estimated cost in excess of \$250,000; and

8 WHEREAS, The cost to implement the Telegraph Hill Rock Slope Improvement  
9 Project, including the design, construction monitoring and construction is \$5,920,709; and

10 WHEREAS, Public Works has executed a contract valued at \$501,255 with Cotton  
11 Shires, for design consulting and geotechnical monitoring work for the Telegraph Hill Rock  
12 Slope Improvement Project for the portion of lands north of the centerline of Lombard Street;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Public Works has executed a contract valued at \$326,289 with ARUP  
15 North America Limited, for design consulting and geotechnical monitoring work for the  
16 Telegraph Hill Rock Slope Improvement Project for the portion of lands belonging to the  
17 Recreation and Parks Department; and

18 WHEREAS, Public Works has executed a contract valued at \$5,093,165 with  
19 Geostabilization International to perform the Telegraph Hill Rock Slope Improvement Project  
20 including, scale the rock slope, install shotcrete facing, install rock anchors and wire mesh  
21 netting on the exposed rock face, and all appurtenant work in accordance with drawings and  
22 specifications; and

23 WHEREAS, Public Works is requesting a not to exceed value of \$5,920,709 to fund a  
24 construction contingency for any unforeseen existing site conditions; and

25 WHEREAS, The Controller has certified that funds are available for this emergency  
contract; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors approves and authorizes the Director of  
2 San Francisco Public Works to proceed with all work necessary to provide design support and  
3 stabilization of the Northwest face of Telegraph Hill with aggregate contract amounts not to  
4 exceed \$5,920,709; and, be it

5           FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the contracts being fully  
6 executed by all parties, Public Works shall provide the final contracts to the Clerk of the Board  
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