

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 18-0141

WHEREAS, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) Water Enterprise staff requires the support of consultants to assist with managing and monitoring SFPUC watershed lands, and with meeting the requirements for SFPUC's permit related mitigation obligations; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to procure the services of qualified consulting firms to supplement SFPUC staff to provide specialized and technical support, including ecological analysis, planning, permitting, and environmental regulatory compliance services, land and natural resource management services, and habitat restoration planning and natural resource protection services; and

WHEREAS, SFPUC advertised a Request for Proposals for natural resources specialized and technical services on May 10, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The estimated cost of services for each agreement is \$14,000,000; and

WHEREAS, Services are anticipated to begin in January 2019 and end in December 2028, and the duration of each agreement is 10 years; and

WHEREAS, SFPUC staff and Contract Monitoring Division (CMD) review of the proposals resulted in the determination that AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (PRO.0066.A), Applied Technology & Science (PRO.0066.B), and Avila and Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc. (PRO.0066.C) are the most qualified consulting firms; and

WHEREAS, CMD established a subconsulting requirement of 10% Local Business Enterprise (LBE) participation (of the total value of services to be provided) for these agreements; and

WHEREAS, Approval of the proposed agreement by this Commission would not fall within the definition of a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378 as the services provided under this contract do not involve any direct or indirect physical change in the environment; and

WHEREAS, Failure to reach successful agreement on contract terms and conditions within two weeks of the date of the Board of Supervisors' authorization to execute the Agreement may result in re-advertising and re-selecting consultants at the discretion of the City; and

WHEREAS, The firms being awarded a contract by the SFPUC must be in compliance with the Equal Benefits Provisions of Chapter 12B of the City's Administrative Code either at the time of the award, or within two weeks of the date of the Board of Supervisors' authorization to execute the Agreements; failure of the bidder to obtain compliance certification from CMD may, in the General Manager's sole discretion, result in award of the agreement to the next highest ranked proposer, or re-advertising and re-selecting consultants at the discretion of the City; and

WHEREAS, Funds for each of these agreements will be available at the time of individual task order awards from Water Enterprise operating and capital budgets, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby: (1) approves the selection of AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Applied Technology & Science, and Avila and Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc.; (2) awards Water Enterprise-funded Agreement No. PRO.0066.A to AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Agreement No. PRO.0066.B to Applied Technology & Science, and Agreement No. PRO.0066.C to Avila and Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc., to provide natural resources specialized and technical services, and (3) authorizes the General Manager to negotiate and execute three professional services agreements (Agreement Nos. PRO.0066.A-C), each with an amount not to exceed \$14,000,000 and each with a duration of 10 years, subject to Board of Supervisors approval pursuant to Charter Section 9.118.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of August 28, 2018.



Secretary, Public Utilities Commission