

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 14-0094

WHEREAS, Agreement No. DB-124, San Joaquin Valley Communication System Upgrade was advertised on November 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to procure the services of a qualified firm to provide specialized design build services to supplement San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) staff; and

WHEREAS, The cost of the design build agreement shall not exceed \$6,990,959.34 over the life of the project; and

WHEREAS, The estimated contract duration is one (1) year, seven (7) months from Notice-To-Proceed to completion; and

WHEREAS, On June 27, 2013 the Environmental Review Officer adopted the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project and on July 23, 2013 this Commission adopted the Initial Study/Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) findings and authorized the project to proceed as a Design-Build Project under Resolution No. 13-0057; and

WHEREAS, No new information has come to light that would affect the conclusions of the June 27, 2013 IS/MND, and since the 2013 IS/MND was finalized, there have been no substantial changes in San Joaquin Communications System Upgrade circumstances that would require major revisions to the 2013 IS/MND due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, and there is no new information of substantial importance that would change the conclusions set forth in the 2013 IS/MND; and

WHEREAS, This Commission authorized the project to proceed as a Design-Build contract in the April 23, 2013 Commission Meeting under Resolution No. 13-0057; and

WHEREAS, Only one bid was received on April 11, 2014, although three other pre-qualified bidders declined to submit bids based on objections to the design build agreement terms and conditions ; and

WHEREAS, SFPUC staff and Contract Monitoring Division (CMD) review of the bid for qualifications, responsibility, responsiveness, and application of bid preferences resulted in the establishment of Communication Services, Inc. as the lowest, qualified, responsible and responsive bidder; and


WHEREAS, CMD has determined that Communication Services, Inc. has complied with the pre-award 14B requirements and is eligible for award of an agreement and has committed to Local Business Enterprise (LBE) subcontractor participation of 8.33%; and

WHEREAS, The firm 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 2 weeks of the date of the Commission award; failure of the bidder to obtain compliance certification from CMD may result in award of the contract to the next lowest, responsible and responsive bidder, or re-bidding of the contract at the discretion of the City; and

WHEREAS, Funds are available from Project No. CUH102-01 – Microwave Communication System; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby approves the selection of Communication Services, Inc. consistent with Administrative Code Section 6.23 (C) 2; awards Hetch Hetchy Water and Power Capital Improvement Program-funded Design-Build Agreement (DBA) No. DB-124, San Joaquin Valley Communication System Upgrade Project to construct a 20-site microwave communications backbone system from Calaveras Substation to Moccasin Peak, in the amount up to \$6,990,959 to the lowest, qualified, responsible and responsive bidder, Communication Services, Inc., and authorizes the General Manager to execute a DBA with Communication Services, Inc., consistent with the requirements of Section 6.61(G) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of June 10, 2014.



Secretary, Public Utilities Commission