PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. **20-0029**

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) requires the assistance of professional engineering firms to perform planning, design, and, possibly, engineering support of improvements to various SFPUC Dam and Reservoir facilities in the Water and Power Enterprises; and

WHEREAS, The Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised on September 12, 2019 to select up to three consulting firms to provide specialized dam and reservoir design services, with a not-to-exceed amount of $11,000,000 per agreement and with a term not to exceed eleven (11) years per agreement; and

WHEREAS, Services are anticipated to begin in May 2020 and end in April 2031 and the duration of this agreement is eleven (11) years; and

WHEREAS, Review of the responses to the RFP established AECOM Technical Service, Inc., GEI Consultants, Inc., and HDR Engineering, Inc. as the three highest scoring qualified proposers; and

WHEREAS, On January 14, 2020, by Resolution No. 20-0008 this Commission awarded Project-Funded Agreements Nos. PRO.0138A&C, Engineering Services for Dams and Reservoirs, to HDR Engineering, Inc. (PRO.0138A) and AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (PRO.0138C), to provide planning and specialized engineering design services, and authorized the General Manager to negotiate and execute two professional services agreements with the selected consultants, each in an amount not-to-exceed $11,000,000 and each with a term of eleven years; and

WHEREAS, Staff now recommends that the Commission proceed with award of PRO.0138B to GEI, the second highest scoring proposer to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, SFPUC staff and Contract Monitoring Division (CMD) review of the selection panel evaluations of the proposals and interviews resulted in the establishment of HDR Engineering, Inc., AECOM Technical Services, Inc., and GEI Consultants, Inc. as the highest scoring proposers; and

WHEREAS, CMD established a 7% Local Business Enterprise (LBE) subconsultant participation requirement for each of these agreements, and HDR Engineering, Inc., AECOM Technical Services, Inc., and GEI Consultants, Inc. committed to LBE subconsultant participation of 10.50%, 9.45%, and 12%, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Failure to reach successful agreement on contract terms and conditions within 30 days of the date of the Commission award may result in award of the contract to the next highest ranked proposer, or re-advertising and re-selecting consultants at the discretion of the City; 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 two weeks of the date of the Commission award; failure of the proposer 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 Agreement No. PRO.0138B, Engineering Services for Dams and Reservoirs, will be available from projects in the Hetch Hetchy and Water Enterprise 10-Year Capital Improvements Programs; and

WHEREAS, No Engineering Support During Bid and Award, Construction, Start-up, and Closeout services will be initiated under this contract until California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review is complete and if necessary, the appropriate CEQA document is prepared, and until this Commission has reviewed and considered the CEQA determination or the approved (Mitigated Negative Declaration) or certified (Environmental Impact Report) CEQA document and has adopted the document, the CEQA findings, and a Mitigation and Monitoring Reporting Program for the Project and approved the project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby approves the selection of GEI Consultants, Inc., awards Project-Funded Agreement No. PRO.0138B, Engineering Services for Dams and Reservoirs, to GEI Consultants, Inc. to provide planning and specialized engineering design services, and authorizes the General Manager to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement with GEI in an amount not-to-exceed $11,000,000 and with a term of eleven years, or, in the event negotiations are not successful or City requirements are not satisfied, to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement with the next highest ranked proposer, subject to the 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 February 11, 2020.

Donna Hood

Secretary, Public Utilities Commission