

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOSTER CITY APPROVING THE ESTABLISHED LIST OF QUALIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS TO PROVIDE PROJECT-BASED PROFESSIONAL ON-CALL SERVICES FOR CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) REVIEWS FOR THE PLANNING DIVISION OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (CDD); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EACH CONSULTANT ON THE LIST WITH NO COMPENSATION MAXIMUM FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS; AND FINDING THE APPROVAL OF THE ON-CALL LIST AND MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS EXEMPT UNDER CEQA PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15061(B)(3).

CITY OF FOSTER CITY

WHEREAS, Community Development Department (CDD) is committed to planning, maintaining, and improving the quality of life and public safety of Foster City in keeping with the vision of the City Council in the General Plan and other measures that reflect the City's heritage as a Master Planned community; and

WHEREAS, the Planning/Code Enforcement Division of CDD is responsible for long-term planning regarding the growth and development of the City, for reviewing and processing applications for all land use and development proposals, and for maintaining the appearance of the community; and

WHEREAS, CDD receives numerous project applications throughout the year that require extensive environmental review, environmental consultation, and documentation preparation; and

WHEREAS, the selection process of a CEQA consultant, at minimum, takes two to three months before the environmental review can start; and

WHEREAS, the pre-qualification of environmental consultants by having an established list would assist staff in completing environmental reviews and documentation in a timely and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2023, the City Council authorized staff to release a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to establish a list of qualified environmental consultants to provide project-based professional on-call services for CEQA reviews; and

WHEREAS, upon authorization from the City Council of the City of Foster City, staff issued an RFQ on July 18, 2023, with a due date for responses on August 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City received a total of 16 responses and Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) from the consulting firms in response to the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the SOQs, staff has established the list of qualified Environmental consultants, including Circlepoint, AECOM, EMC Planning Group, David J. Powers and Associates, Kimley-Horn, LSA, Dudek, PlaceWorks, First Carbon Solutions, MIG, Stantec, and Urban Planning Partners; and

WHEREAS, the twelve consultants selected and identified herein provided an extensive proposal, expressing a clear understanding of the scope of work and most closely aligned to the deliverables desired by the City for this position; in addition to demonstrating its capabilities to meet the City's expectations for such services and was selected from the list to enter into an agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City's Purchasing Policy contemplates that the City Council will approve each request for proposal for services over \$50,000 and that the City Council would approve the award of the contract for those services; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City Council enter into a Master Professional Services Agreement with Circlepoint, AECOM, EMC Planning Group, David J. Powers and Associates, Kimley-Horn, LSA, Dudek, PlaceWorks, First Carbon Solutions, MIG, Stantec, and Urban Planning Partners with no limitation on the amount of compensation; and

WHEREAS, for any project that requires environmental review, staff would bring any Task Order over \$50,000 to the City Council for approval before issuing the Task Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby find that the approval of the on-call list and Master Professional Services Agreements are exempt per CEQA Guideline Section 15061(b)(3), Common Sense Exemption (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this action may have a significant effect on the environment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council hereby approves the establishment of the following list of qualified environmental consultants to provide project-based professional on-call services for CEQA reviews for the Planning Division of the CDD: Circlepoint, AECOM, EMC Planning Group, David J. Powers and Associates, Kimley-Horn, LSA, Dudek, PlaceWorks, First Carbon Solutions, MIG, Stantec, and Urban Planning Partners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a Master Professional Services Agreement with Circlepoint, AECOM, EMC Planning Group, David J. Powers and Associates, Kimley-Horn, LSA, Dudek,

PlaceWorks, First Carbon Solutions, MIG, Stantec, and Urban Planning Partners with no limitation on the amount of compensation for a term of five years.

PASSED AND ADOPTED as a resolution of City Council of the City of Foster City at the regular meeting held on the 18th day of September 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

JON FROOMIN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PRISCILLA SCHAUS, CITY CLERK