REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE June 18, 2015

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 3417 WITH URS CORPORATION FOR AS-NEEDED ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT SERVICES

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Approved  Disapproved  Withdrawn

As Amended

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Approve the proposed Amendment, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, to Contract No. 3417 with URS Corporation (URS), extending the term of the contract by three (3) years for a new total of six (6) years, subject to approval of the Mayor, the City Council, and the City Attorney as to form;

2. Find pursuant to Charter Section 371(c)(2) that competitive bidding is not practicable or advantageous as it is necessary for the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to be able to call on contractors to perform this work as-needed and on a temporary and occasional, but frequent, basis without engaging in a new competitive process for each individual project to be performed; however, from among as-needed contractors each individual project is assigned on the basis of availability of an as-needed contractor to perform the work, the price to be charged and the unique expertise of the as-needed contractor;

3. Find pursuant to Charter Section 372 that obtaining competitive proposals or bids for each individual project for which work maybe performed pursuant to this agreement is not reasonable, practicable or compatible with the RAP’s interests of having available as-needed contractors who are assigned various projects on the basis of availability, price and expertise and that it is therefore necessary to have several as-needed contractors for this type of service available when called upon by RAP to perform services;
4. Find that RAP does not have personnel available in its employ with sufficient time or the necessary expertise to undertake these specialized professional tasks in a timely manner, and pursuant to Charter Section 1022 it is more feasible, economical and in the Department’s best interest to secure these services by contract;

5. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Amendment to Contract No. 3417 to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form; and,

6. Upon receipt of necessary approvals, authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Amendment to the Agreement.

SUMMARY:

On February 20, 2013, RAP entered into an environmental site assessment contract with URS for as-needed environmental site assessment services. The term was for three (3) years, expiring on February 19, 2016, for an amount not-to-exceed Seven Million Dollars ($7,000,000.00) annually. The amount for the services is outlined in the “Notice to Proceed” (NTP) for each individual project.

RAP staff and URS have been working on the site assessment and the design solutions for the clean-up of Chatsworth Park South. URS supported Department staff in the completion of the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) approved Remedial Action Plan for the site and prepared the final plans for this rehabilitation project. To date, eighteen (18) NTPs have been issued for a total amount of One Million, Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars ($1,920,854.00). One Million, Six Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand, Four Hundred Seventeen Dollars ($1,685,417.00).

The Chatsworth Park South – Rehabilitation Project is recommended for award for construction on June 18, 2015. The construction project is scheduled to be completed in the Fall of 2016 and the site assessment and environmental close-out documentation will follow. This schedule will go beyond the current contract term with URS.

It is to the RAP’s advantage to maintain continuity and have the same environmental team through both the construction process and environmental close-out process. The Department does not have available personnel to support this project in a timely manner through the construction and close-out process. This proposed Amendment to Contract No. 3417 will allow URS to continue working on this project. Therefore, staff recommends that the contract be amended to allow time for the completion of this project.
This proposed Amendment to Contract No. 3417 is recommended in compliance with all RAP and City procedures, policies and laws applicable to the award of contracts. Principals of the firm are not employees or officials of the City, are free to make recommendations or perform the services specified in the contract, and have no authority with respect to the City’s decisions relating to the project beyond fulfilling the provisions of the proposed Amendment to Contract No. 3417.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

All compensation for services performed under this contract is funded by the project and therefore, there will be no fiscal impact to the RAP’s General Fund.

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