RESOLUTION 2014-156

RESOLUTION SELECTING AND AUTHORIZING **AGREEMENTS** WITH **AECOM TECHNICAL** SERVICES, INC., ASPEN **EVNIRONMENTAL** BRG CONSULTING. INC., HELIX GROUP. **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING, INC., ICF JONES &** STOKES, INC., RECON ENVIRONMENTAL. INC.. AND URS CORPORATION DBA CORPORATION AMERICAS FOR AS-NEEDED REVIEW **ENVIRONMENTAL** CONSULTING SERVICES FOR DISTRICT PROJECTS. FOR A TOTAL AGGREGATE AMOUNT PAYABLE UNDER THE AGREEMENTS NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000 FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS

WHEREAS, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the Legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix I (Port Act); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) adopted BPC Policy No. 110 establishing a procedure for the administration of contracts and the purchasing of supplies, materials, and equipment, and establishing a policy governing the processing and administration of contracts; and

WHEREAS, the District's Environmental & Land Use Management (ELUM) department reviews District and tenant sponsored projects for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the California Coastal Act (Coastal Act), the Port Master Plan (PMP), and related laws and regulations in accordance with protecting the tidelands trust (collectively, "Environmental Entitlement Process"); and

WHEREAS, entering on-call, as-needed project management consultant services agreements with qualified firms for District-sponsored projects would better ensure ELUM's ability to review and process such projects through the Environmental Entitlement Process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to BPC Policy No. 110, District staff issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 14-17 seeking as-needed environmental and land use project management consulting services for the Environmental Entitlement Process on March 19, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the RFQ was electronically mailed directly to approximately 1,000 consulting firms known to offer the necessary services and that have expressed interest in working on projects on District tidelands, a legal advertisement was placed in the San Diego Daily Transcript, and an information exchange meeting was held on June 2, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the District received 11 responsive proposals to the RFQ by the deadline of June 18, 2014, and District staff conducted interviews on July 9 and July 10, 2014; and

WHEREAS, District staff evaluated and ranked each of these firms on the following criteria: 1) experience of proposed staff; 2) approach to the project; 3) capability to perform; 4) relevant experience; and 5) fair and reasonable cost; and

WHEREAS, based on this evaluation, staff proposes that the District enter into as-needed consultant agreements for District-sponsored projects with AECOM Technical Services, Aspen Environmental Group, BRG Consulting, Inc., Helix Environmental Planning, Inc., ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc., RECON Environmental Inc., URS Corporation dba URS Corporation Americas; and

WHEREAS, entering into these as-needed consultant agreements would not restrict the District's ability to select and enter into agreements with other firms for environmental and land use project management services for Districtsponsored projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, as follows:

That the Executive Director or his designated representative is hereby authorized to select and enter into agreements on behalf of the San Diego Unified Port District with AECOM Technical Services, Aspen Environmental Group, BRG Consulting, Inc., Helix Environmental Planning, Inc., and ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc., RECON Environmental Inc., URS Corporation dba URS Corporation Americas for as needed environmental and land use project management services for San Diego Unified Port District projects, for a total aggregate amount payable under the agreements not-to-exceed \$1,500,000 for a period of three years.

GENERAL COUNSEL

By: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 12th day of August 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Bonelli, Castellanos, Moore, Nelson, and Valderrama.

NAYS: None.

EXCUSED: Malcolm, Merrifield.

ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

Robert E. Nelson, Chairman Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:

Timothy A. Deuel

District Clerk

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