

RESOLUTION 2014-157

RESOLUTION SELECTING AND ESTABLISHING A LIST OF QUALIFIED CONSULTING FIRMS TO POTENTIALLY PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CONSULTING SERVICES FOR TENANT-SPONSORED PROJECTS 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, to better ensure timely review and processing of tenant-sponsored projects through the Environmental Entitlement Process, ELUM recommends establishing a list of qualified consulting firms to potentially provide project management consultant services for tenant-sponsored projects on District tidelands; and

WHEREAS, once tenant-sponsored projects arise and environmental review consultant services are needed, in accordance with BPC Policy No. 106 – Cost Recovery User Fee Policy, the tenant will be solely responsible for the costs of retaining the consultant; 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 May 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 ad was placed in the San Diego Daily Transcript, and an information exchange meeting was held on June 2, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the District received eight 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

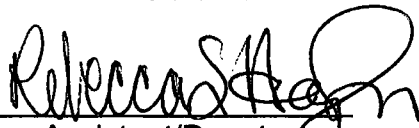
WHEREAS, based on this evaluation, staff proposes that the District enter into as-needed consultant agreements for District-sponsored projects with AECOM Technical Services (AECOM), Aspen Environmental Group (Aspen), BRG Consulting, Inc. (BRG), Helix Environmental Planning, Inc. (HELIX), ICF Jones &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

WHEREAS, the establishment of such a list of would not restrict the District's ability to consider or enter into agreements with other, non-listed firms for environmental and land use project management services for tenant-sponsored 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 establish a list of qualified consulting firms consisting of the same seven firms (AECOM, Aspen, BRG, HELIX, ICF, RECON, and URS) to potentially provide Environmental Review Consulting Services for tenant-sponsored projects 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.

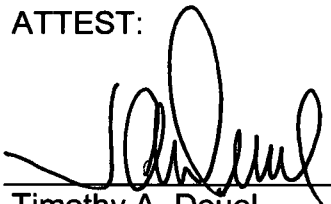
EXCUSED: Malcolm, Merrifield.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.


Robert E. Nelson, Chairman
Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:


Timothy A. Deuel
District Clerk

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