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On-Call Consultant Services for Department of Utilities Engineering and Water Resources Division

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Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Pass a **Motion** approving the On-Call Consultant Service List for the Department of Utilities Engineering and Water Resources Division.

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Presenter: None

Attachments:

1-Description/Analysis

2-Exhibit A 2026 On-Call Consultant Services for Department of Utilities Engineering and Water Resources Division

Description/Analysis

Issue Detail: The Department of Utilities, Engineering and Water Resources Division currently contracts with professional consulting firms for a variety of highly specialized professional services, including design, modeling, engineering, outreach and other professional services to supplement staff during peak workloads and provide additional expertise when required. On-call agreements are often established as “best management practices” to provide additional services to assist staff with delivering projects efficiently and effectively, on time and within budget parameters.

This action would authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into on-call agreements with the firms listed in Exhibit A for engineering and other construction-related services. It would also create a pre-qualified list of consultants that City staff may reach out to and solicit proposals for job-specific work and when selected enter a contract. These contracts shall have a not-to-exceed limit of no more than \$250,000 for any single contract.

Policy Considerations: The recommendation in this report is in accordance with City Code Chapter 3.56 regarding contracts for professional services, which requires City Council approval of contracts of \$250,000 or more.

Economic Impacts: None.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): Approval of the professional service contracts are not projects as defined by CEQA guidelines, Section 15378(2) and are not subject to CEQA [CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3)]. The recommended action involves no physical construction and has no potential to cause a significant impact on the environment, as the projects for which these services may be needed have not yet been specifically identified. The construction projects for which the listed consultants' services are ultimately used will be separately analyzed under CEQA prior to construction.

Sustainability: Not applicable.

Commission/Committee Action: Not applicable.

Rationale for Recommendation: On October 8, 2025, the Department of Utilities, Engineering and Water Resources Division issued a Request for Qualification (RFQ) for *On-Call Consultant Services for Department of Utilities Engineering & Water Resources Division* (Q25141325014). The purpose of this RFQ was to develop a pre-selected list of qualified on-call consultants with expertise in highly specialized categories including Civil, Mechanical and Structural Design, Electrical Design Support, Hydrology and Hydrogeology Modeling, Flood Plain Management Support, Asset Management and Condition Assessment, Environmental Engineering and Regulatory Compliance and Public Outreach.

A total of 49 proposals were received and selection committees of at least 4 members, composed of subject matter experts from the Department of Utilities, evaluated and ranked the proposals based off their qualifications to complete tasks under the scope of services for each category that was provided in the RFQ. The selection committees determined that the consultants listed below are the most qualified to provide the requested services and should be included on the On-Call Consultants pre-selected list for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2026. The number of consultants selected for each category, identified by the grey highlight, was based on score, anticipated needs and expected workload.

Category 1 – Civil & Mechanical Design, Support and Plan Review

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | BKF | 97.5 |
| 2 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 97.3 |
| 3 | Carollo | 96.5 |
| 3 | HDR | 96.5 |
| 3 | Wood Rodgers | 96.5 |
| 6 | West Yost | 95.3 |
| 7 | Jacobs | 94.5 |
| 8 | JLR | 93.0 |
| 9 | GHD Inc. | 92.8 |
| 10 | Black and Veatch | 92.5 |
| 11 | Cordoba | 91.3 |
| 12 | Arup US, Inc. | 89.5 |
| 13 | Hazen and Sawyer | 89.5 |
| 14 | Civil and Environmental Consultants, Inc. | 89.0 |
| 15 | Hydroscience | 87.0 |
| 16 | Verdantas | 86.8 |
| 17 | Water Systems Consulting | 85.8 |
| 18 | REY Engineers | 85.5 |
| 19 | MRPE | 79.0 |
| 20 | Domenichelli | 78.8 |
| 21 | JTS | 64.5 |

Category 2 – Structural Design and Support

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Carollo | 101.0 |
| 2 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 101.0 |
| 3 | Wood Rodgers | 88.0 |
| 3 | Hazen and Sawyer | 87.3 |
| 3 | GHD Inc. | 83.0 |
| 6 | VST | 75.3 |

Category 3 – Electrical, Instrumentation, and SCADA Design Support

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Stantec | 102.0 |
| 2 | United ECM | 100.3 |
| 3 | West Yost | 99.7 |
| 4 | Carollo | 95.0 |
| 5 | GHD Inc. | 91.3 |
| 6 | Arup US, Inc. | 86.7 |
| 7 | Hydroscience | 78.7 |
| 8 | Sacramento Engineering Consultants | 73.3 |
| 9 | Interface Engineering Consultants | 69.3 |

Category 4 – Construction Management and Resident Engineer

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Carollo | 95.0 |
| 2 | Unico | 94.0 |
| 3 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 93.8 |
| 4 | Salaber Associates | 91.8 |
| 5 | GHD Inc. | 90.3 |
| 6 | MCK Americas | 87.3 |
| 7 | Hazen and Sawyer | 87.0 |
| 7 | HDR | 87.0 |
| 9 | West Yost & Associates | 86.3 |
| 10 | JLR | 85.3 |
| 11 | CSG Consultants | 81.8 |
| 12 | Alpha | 81.0 |
| 13 | United Engineering | 80.5 |

Category 5 – Hydrology, Hydrogeology (Ground Water), Modeling, Planning Studies

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | West Yost & Associates | 100.0 |
| 2 | GEI Consultants | 95.0 |
| 3 | GHD Inc. | 93.8 |
| 4 | Carollo | 92.5 |
| 4 | Woodard & Curran, Inc. | 92.5 |
| 6 | Michael Baker International, Inc. | 91.3 |
| 7 | Wood Rodgers, Inc. | 90.0 |
| 8 | Verdantas | 88.8 |
| 9 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 86.8 |
| 10 | Hazen and Sawyer | 86.3 |
| 11 | MRPE | 85.0 |
| 12 | JLR | 72.5 |
| 13 | Arup US, Inc. | 68.8 |
| 14 | Civil and Environmental Consultants, Inc. | 66.3 |

Category 6 – Flood Plain Management Support

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | West Yost & Associates | 98.7 |
| 2 | Wood Rodgers, Inc. | 98.3 |
| 3 | GEI Consultants, Inc. | 94.7 |
| 4 | Michael Baker International, Inc. | 93.0 |
| 5 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 91.7 |
| 6 | Woodard & Curran, Inc. | 90.0 |
| 7 | GHD Inc. | 86.3 |
| 8 | MRPE | 85.7 |
| 9 | Verdantas | 85.0 |

Category 7 – Geotechnical

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Crawford & Associates, Inc. | 92.8 |
| 2 | Geocon Consultants, Inc. | 90.3 |
| 3 | GHD Inc. | 82.0 |
| 4 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 80.3 |
| 5 | Arup US, Inc. | 79.3 |
| 6 | Slate Geotechnical Consultants, Inc. | 77.3 |
| 7 | Terracon Consultants, Inc. | 76.5 |
| 8 | Verdantas, Inc. | 74.0 |

Category 8 – Asset Management and Condition Assessment

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|---------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Carollo | 91.0 |
| 2 | Hazen and Sawyer | 86.3 |
| 3 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 85.8 |
| 3 | West Yost & Associates | 85.8 |
| 5 | Black and Veatch | 85.3 |
| 6 | GHD Inc. | 84.5 |
| 7 | Verdantas, Inc. | 75.5 |
| 8 | Ewers Engineering | 68.5 |
| 9 | Infraciv | 43.8 |
| 10 | Epsilon | 15.5 |

Category 9 – Environmental Engineering and Regulatory Compliance

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|---------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. | 105.0 |
| 1 | Terracon | 105.0 |
| 3 | Geosyntec | 104.3 |
| 4 | Wood Rodgers | 103.3 |
| 4 | Woodard & Curran | 103.3 |
| 6 | Jacobs | 101.7 |
| 7 | GHD Inc. | 98.3 |
| 8 | Verdantas, Inc. | 97.3 |
| 9 | SLR | 86.0 |
| 10 | Applied Earth Works | 76.3 |

Category 10 – Public Outreach

| Ranking | Consultant | Points |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Kearns & West | 101.3 |
| 2 | HDR | 99.0 |
| 3 | KMP Strategies | 97.0 |
| 4 | GHD Inc. | 96.0 |
| 5 | Isaac Gonzalez Consulting | 84.3 |
| 6 | Socios PR | 83.0 |

Financial Considerations: When services are required, City staff will contact the pre-selected consultants on the approved on-call pre-selected list to determine their availability and suitability for the specific task. In accordance with City Code Chapter 3.56, staff will then prepare a scope of services and, as appropriate, request cost proposals from the qualified consultants. Once a consultant is identified for the work and terms are agreed upon, the City will enter into a contract with that consultant consistent with applicable procurement procedures and authorization requirements.

There are no General Funds allocated or planned for this project.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): The RFQ required consultants to submit their local business enterprise certification status. The LBE preference requirement was applied by providing local business firms with 5 additional points the evaluation criteria worksheet.

Exhibit A

| 2026 On-Call Consultant Services for Department of Utilities Engineering and Water Resources Division July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031 | |
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| Category | Firms Selected |
| 1. Civil & Mechanical Design, Support and Plan Review | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BKF • Black and Veatch • Carollo • GHD • HDR • Jacobs • JLR • Stantec • West Yost • Wood Rodgers |
| 2. Structural Design and Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carollo • GHD • Hazen and Sawyer • Stantec • Wood Rodgers |
| 3. Electrical, Instrumentation, and (SCADA) Design Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carollo • Stantec • United ECM • West Yost |
| 4. Construction Management and Resident Engineer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carollo • GHD • Hazen and Sawyer • HDR • MCK Americas • Salaber Associates • Stantec • Unico • West Yost |
| 5. Hydrology, Hydrogeology (Ground Water), Modeling, Planning and Studies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carollo • GEI Consultants • GHD • Hazen and Sawyer • Michael Baker International Inc. • MRPE • Stantec • Verdantas • West Yost • Wood Rodgers, Inc. • Woodard & Curran, Inc. |
| 6. Flood Plain Management Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GEI Consultants • GHD • Michael Baker International Inc. • MRPE • Stantec • Verdantas • West Yost • Wood Rodgers, Inc. • Woodard & Curran, Inc. |

| Category | Firms Selected |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7. Geotechnical | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crawford & Associates • Geocon Consultants • GHD, Inc. • Stantec |
| 8. Asset Management and Condition Assessment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black and Veatch • Carollo • Ewers Engineering • GHD • Hazen and Sawyer • Stantec • Verdantas • West Yost & Associates |
| 9. Environmental Engineering and Regulatory Compliance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geosyntec • GHD Sacramento • Jacobs • Stantec • Terracon • Wood Rodgers • Woodard & Curran • Verdantas |
| 10. Public Outreach | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GHD Sacramento • Kearns & West • KMP Strategies • HDR |