



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
May 30, 2006

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Agreement: FY2005/06 Watershed Grant Consultation Services (PN:WM66)

Location/Council District: Del Paso Regional Park and vicinity, District 2

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution: 1) authorizing the City Manager to execute a Consultant Services Agreement with Jones and Stokes Associates in an amount not to exceed \$447,581 for the 2005/2006 National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Project (WM66).

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Presenters: Not Applicable

Department: Department of Utilities

Division: Engineering Services

Organization No: 3333

Summary:

Staff has negotiated a Consultant Services Agreement with Jones and Stokes Associates to provide consultant services for the City's Stormwater Quality Improvement Program state-funded, watershed grant on Arcade Creek, including:

- Conduct public outreach,
- Complete a watershed management plan,
- Develop and implement a non-native invasive plant removal program,
- Secure all required permits for wetland/filtration system,
- Conduct post construction monitoring of wetland/filtration system, and
- Draft all reports necessary to comply with state grant requirements.

Committee/Commission Action: None.

Background Information:

The Sacramento Stormwater Quality Improvement Program (SSQIP) applies a watershed-based strategy to urban runoff-focused issues, including water quality, flood control, aquatic and riparian habitat, and recreational needs. Since the Arcade Creek watershed boundaries include areas both inside and outside the City, the SSQIP partnered with other stakeholders to form the Arcade Creek Watershed Group. At City Council's direction in FY04/05, the City applied for, and was awarded, a State Water Resources Control Board watershed improvement grant.

This grant will support water quality, recreation and habitat improvements through increased public outreach programs, removal of non-native invasive plants, creation of a wetland filtration system, and development of a long-term watershed management group. The long-term goal is the establishment of a self-sustaining watershed group in which the City and its municipal partners participate, but whose leadership comes from other stakeholders.

On September 6, 2005, staff posted a Request for Proposals (RFP) on the City of Sacramento Contracting Opportunities web page. Four proposals were received on September 30, 2005, and reviewed independently by five City staff members. Interviews were conducted and Jones and Stokes selected to complete the work. The Consultant Services Agreement is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$447,581.

Financial Considerations:

The Consultant Services Agreement with Jones and Stokes Associates is for an amount not to exceed \$447,581. There are sufficient funds in the 2005/2006 National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Project (PN: WM66, fund 512) to pay for the services as outlined in the consultant agreement.

Environmental Considerations:

The objective of the activities to be funded by this grant is to develop and implement a plan for restoring ecological functions and enhancing water quality within Arcade Creek within Del Paso Regional Park, and to set in motion a strategy to improve environmental conditions throughout the entire Arcade Creek watershed. Several of the activities such as public outreach, development of a watershed management plan and drafting of reports do not have any physical impact on the environment and are exempt from the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The wetland/filtration system, for which permits will be obtained, was previously analyzed in a mitigated negative declaration approved by the City Council. The development and implementation of a non-native invasive plant removal program for stream banks, instream channels and the floodplain could result in environmental impacts. The JSA scope of work funded by this grant includes analysis and preparation of the necessary CEQA document for this activity.

Policy Considerations:

The activities funded by this grant support the City of Sacramento General Plan Conservation Element, and Smart Growth Principals, to preserve natural beauty and open space, critical environmental areas, promote livable communities, and cultivate passive recreation opportunities. The recommended actions also support the City's Strategic Plan goals of establishing and strengthening regional partnerships to enhance the quality of life, and preserving neighborhoods, urban forest, parks, and recreation.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):

Jones and Stokes Associates is not an ESBE. However, the Consultant Services Agreement with Jones and Stokes includes May and Associates as a sub-consultant to Jones and Stokes. May and Associates is registered with the City as a SBE and May and Associates' portion of the entire budget is approximately 32.6%, which exceeds the City's ESBE participation goals of 20%.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
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Approved by: 
for Gary A. Reents
Director of Utilities

Recommendation Approved:


Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH JONES AND STOKES ASSOCIATES FOR FY2005/06 WATERSHED GRANT CONSULTATION SERVICES

BACKGROUND

- A. Based on the results of a consultant selection process, City staff has negotiated a consultant services agreement with Jones and Stokes Associates to provide consultant services for the Arcade Creek watershed grant received from the State Water Resources Control Board.
- B. The services include public outreach, developing a watershed management plan, removal of non-native invasive plants, acquiring federal, state, and local permits necessary to complete a wetland filtration system in Del Paso Regional Park, and conduct post-construction monitoring and draft reports related to wetland filtration system and other grant activities.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to sign and execute a consultant services agreement with Jones and Stokes Associates for the 2005/2006 National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Project (PN: WM66, fund 512) for an amount not to exceed \$447,581.