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TECHNICAL SERVICES
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October 28, 1998

City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: NORTH 7TH STREET EXTENSION (PN:TH26) - APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$397,362 WITH PARSONS BRINKERHOFF INC.

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:

7th Street between D Street and Richards Boulevard. Council District 1.

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the City Council:

Authorize the City Manager to execute the attached Consultant Services Agreement in the amount of \$397,362 with Parsons Brinkerhoff Inc. for preliminary engineering and environmental services for the North 7th Street Extension Project.

CONTACT PERSON:

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:

November 17, 1998

Department of
PUBLICWORKS
CITY OF
SACRAMENTO

City Council
North 7th Street Extension
October 30, 1998

SUMMARY:

On June 4, 1998 the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with Union Pacific Railroad that provides for construction of 7th Street in the year 2001, and to complete the necessary environmental analysis.

This report requests that the City Council authorize and direct the City Manager to execute a Consultant Services Agreement with Parsons Brinkerhoff in the amount of \$397,362 for preliminary engineering and for the preparation of the environmental analysis for the extension of 7th Street from D Street to Richards Boulevard.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

None.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The extension of 7th Street is a major component of the Railyards Specific Plan and the Richards Boulevard Area Plan. Under those plans, the extension would occur following completion of Railyards remediation by Union Pacific (UP), and in conjunction with (1) relocation of the UP mainline to a new railroad berm along North B Street, and (2) construction of an intermodal station at 7th Street and North B Streets. On June 4, 1998 the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with Union Pacific Railroad that provides for construction of 7th Street in advance of the remediation of the entire Railyards site, and in advance of the construction of a new intermodal station. The City Manager was also authorized to complete the environmental analysis for the extension of 7th Street.

UP and City staffs have developed the business points and conditions for accelerating the implementation of the extension of 7th Street to the year 2001. The extension, as proposed, is an interim two-lane roadway from D Street to Richards Boulevard with a grade separated intersection of the UP mainline at its present location along D Street.

Staff has completed the consultant selection process for preliminary engineering and environmental document preparation services. A Request for Proposal (RFP) was submitted to 32 firms, of which 4 responded. The consultant selection panel was composed of representatives from the City's Technical Services Division, the Downtown Enterprise Department, the Environmental Services Division, and a member of the 7th Street Task Force representing the Capitol Station District. The panel reviewed and rated the written proposals and conducted interviews with the four firms that responded.

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The four firms were:

- CH2MHill Inc.
- Imbsen and Associates
- Martin and Kane
- Parsons Brinkerhoff Inc.

The panel scored the written proposals and the oral presentations and interview utilizing the following evaluation criteria:

- Introduction (comprehension of project)
- Qualifications of the firm, project team, and assigned personnel
- Workplan

The interview allowed each firm to make a presentation and to address panel members' questions in a question and answer period. Overall firm rankings were based on the combined total of points received on the written proposal and interview.

Parsons Brinkerhoff was the highest ranked firm using the selection process. Parsons Brinkerhoff has assembled a highly qualified and experienced team to perform the preliminary engineering and environmental document preparation services needed for the project.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

As of October 26, 1998, the 7th Street Extension Project (PN:TH26) had an unobligated balance of \$1,367,688 which is sufficient to cover the proposed consultant services agreement with Parsons Brinkerhoff in the amount of \$397,362.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The approval of the consultant services agreement for preliminary engineering and environmental studies is not considered a project as defined by Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines. The activity involves no physical construction and has no potential to cause a significant impact on the environment.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

This action is consistent with existing City policy concerning consultant selection and consultant services agreements.

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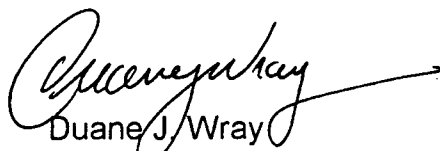
MBE/WBE:

All potential consultants were informed of the City's policy to have MBE and WBE participation. The selected consultant, Parsons Brinkerhoff Inc. has retained the services of the following M/WBE firms:

CADRE Design Group	MBE	The Hoyt Company	WBE
Landmark Engineering	MBE	Argonaut Consulting	WBE
Psomas & Associates	MBE	Carey and Company	WBE

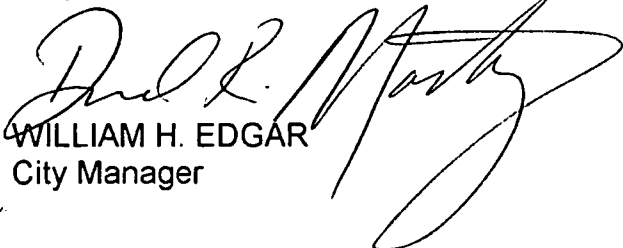
The MBE/WBE participation under the proposed agreement is 7.9% and 8.6% respectively.

Respectfully submitted,



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Technical Services Manager

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



WILLIAM H. EDGAR
City Manager

Approved:



Michael Kashiwagi
Director of Public Works

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