

Agenda Report

November 14, 2011

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Water and Power Department

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NUMBER 19,977 WITH RMC WATER AND ENVIRONMENT FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE FROM JULY 28, 2012 TO DECEMBER 31, 2012.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Find that the amendment of contract number 19,977 with RMC Water and Environment (RMC) is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 (c) (Replacement or Reconstruction); and
- 2. Authorize the City Manager to extend contract number 19,977, with RMC Water and Environment from July 28, 2012 to December 31, 2012. It is expected that the total cost for contracted design projects for the five month extension period will not exceed \$240,000.

BACKGROUND:

Due to the volume of capital projects recommended in the Water System Master Plan, Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) continues to utilize its existing in-house and contract engineering service resources to meet the established goals of the approved Capital Improvement Program (CIP). There are currently two active task orders with RMC (engineering design, drawings, and specifications for Sheldon Reservoir seismic upgrade and design and specification revisions, inspection, and construction management for Jones Booster Station upgrade), which are expected to go beyond the current expiration date of the General Engineering Services (GES) agreement. In the absence of any action to extend the current contract, staff will need to suspend work on these task orders, which will delay CIP work expected to start or continue during the next fiscal year. Staff does not anticipate issuing any additional task orders that will exceed the expiration date.

RMC, along with Camp Dresser and McKee and Civiltec Engineering, Inc., were selected after a competitive bidding process which pre-qualified firms to provide GES for specialized and limited duration CIP projects. RMC's current contract expires on July 28, 2012. Extending this contract to December 31, 2012, will allow work assigned under the two task orders, and included in the CIP work plan for the current fiscal year, to continue without interruptions. The two task orders have progressed to a point where

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re-assigning the tasks to a new contractor after the contract expiration date is not recommended.

Staff has begun developing a new Request for Proposals for GES. It is expected that this process will be completed by July 15, 2012.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION

The proposed contract amendment supports PWP's Water System Master Plan adopted by the City Council in 2002 to ensure adequate and reliable production and distribution of water under existing and future conditions through 2020. The amendment will also support implementation of certain projects included in the Water Integrated Resource Plan that was approved by the City Council on January 31, 2011.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The contract is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 (c) (Replacement or Reconstruction), which exempts the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. Neither the engineering/field services for the Sheldon Reservoir seismic upgrade nor the inspection/construction management for the Jones Booster Station electrical equipment upgrade involve an expansion of either reservoir's height, size or capacity.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of this action is estimated not to exceed \$240,000 (balance of the approved task orders) over the five month period. Funding for the extended contract will be provided using approved CIP appropriations budgeted for each applicable project. It is anticipated that the full amount of \$240,000 will be spent during the extension period. Funding sources during the extension period include rate revenues generated by the capital improvement charge, bond funds, and Water Fund revenues.

Respectfully submitted,

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