

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: AUGUST 14, 2006

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF CONTRACT NO. #18,845 WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATES, INC. (ESA) TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE WESTGATE PASADENA DEVELOPMENT IN OLD PASADENA

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 18,845 with Environmental Science Associates, Inc. (ESA), Inc. to provide additional consultant services for the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Westgate Pasadena Development in Old Pasadena for the amount not to exceed \$45,000. The new total contract amount will be \$295,000.

BACKGROUND

On June 6, 2005, the City Council authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract in the amount of \$250,000 with ESA to prepare an EIR for the Westgate Pasadena Development in Old Pasadena.

On the former East Campus of the Worldwide Church of God, the Sares-Regis Group is proposing an urban housing/mixed-use development. The project envisions 820 new dwelling units and the construction of approximately 22,154 square feet of ground floor retail/commercial. A total of 215,610 square feet of warehouse-type structures would be demolished to make way for the 1.01 million square feet of development. The project would extend across three city blocks from Green Street to Del Mar Boulevard, and Pasadena to De Lacey Avenues.

Accordingly, the project description and the scope of the traffic study for the EIR was adjusted in response to comments received during the scoping and review of the Draft EIR. Consideration of the comments, which directed the scope of the environmental review, required a revision to the project description and additional

environmental and traffic analysis. The adjustment to the contract also includes increased meetings between staff and the consultant team and anticipated future public meetings.

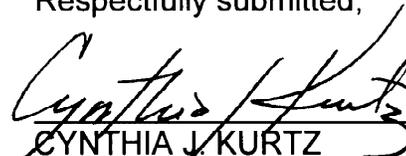
SCHEDULE

The project was called for review and considered by the Board of Zoning Appeals on August 1, 2006. Appeal to the Council is anticipated.

FISCAL IMPACT

The applicant, the Sares-Regis Group, will pay for all costs associated with the preparation and the additional staff time on the EIR. With the additional costs the total amount will be increased to an amount not to exceed \$295, 000.

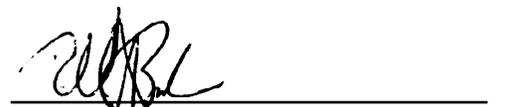
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