

# **County of San Mateo**

# Inter-Departmental Correspondence

**Department: PUBLIC WORKS** 

File #: 24-383 Board Meeting Date: 5/21/2024

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Ann M. Stillman, Director of Public Works

**Subject:** Agreements with Consulting Firms for On-Call Architectural Services

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing:

- A) On-call architectural services agreements with: Bartos Architecture, Inc., DES Architects + Engineers, Inc., Korth Sunseri Hagey Architects, MC+E Architects, NJA Architecture, Object Projects, LLP, PHD Architects, Inc., SERA Design & Architecture, Studio G Architects, Inc., SVA Architects, Inc., The Office of Charles F. Bloszies, Ltd., and William Duff Architects for the term of May 21, 2024 through May 20, 2027 each in an amount of \$600,000 for a total aggregate amount of \$7,200,000; and
- B) The Director of Public Works, or the Director's designee, to execute contract amendments to modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services as long as the modified term and/or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provision.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Department of Public Works (Department) maintains on-call agreements with various firms with subject matter knowledge in the areas of architectural design, space planning, and construction management services on an as-needed basis to help expedite necessary work on many Department managed Capital Projects.

The consultant selection procedures in the County of San Mateo's Administrative Memorandum B-1 and Contract Handbook were used to select consultants for the On-Call Architectural Services agreements. The Request for Proposals Matrix describing the process and selected firms is attached as Exhibit "A".

#### **DISCUSSION:**

It is anticipated that numerous Department managed Capital Projects will require the use of subject

matter expertise to assist with the design, construction, and completion of the projects. The work may include, but will not be limited to inspection, planning, design, and construction support work on current and proposed infrastructure.

Proposals were solicited from firms with expertise in four categories of architectural services: General Construction, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Space Planning, and Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI). The solicitation was made through electronic mail, the County's e-Procurement system, advertisement in the local newspaper, and posting information to the Department's website.

On April 17, 2024, the Department received proposals from 17 firms and Department staff reviewed the submittals for completeness and qualifications. Based on the results of the review, the Department is recommending that the firms listed in Exhibit "A" be retained to provide on-call architectural consulting services on an as-needed basis. The consulting service agreements are for a maximum aggregate amount of \$600,000 per agreement.

Consultants will be selected by the Department for specific projects and Task Orders will be issued to the firms. The Task Orders will detail the requirements of the project, including a scope of work and a not-to-exceed amount. Fees for individual Task Orders for specific projects or the sum of the fees for the various individual Task Orders, should the firm be assigned to more than one project, will not be greater than the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement.

The Department is also requesting this Board authorize the Director, or the Director's designee, to execute contract amendments, which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services provided the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions. Any contract amendments above the Director's authority would be brought to this Board for approval.

The term of the agreements are for three years from May 21, 2024 through May 20, 2027 with the option to extend each agreement for two additional years, if needed.

County Attorney has reviewed and approved the resolution and agreements as to form.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Each on-call architectural services agreements has a not-to-exceed amount of \$600,000. Funds to pay for the assigned work are included in the Capital Projects Budget for FY 2023-24 and the proposed FY 2024-25 budget.

There is no impact to the General Fund.

Attachment: Exhibit "A"