



BOARD OF UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS

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Recommendation

Authorize the General Manager to execute three separate contracts for on-call geotechnical engineering support services with 1) Twining, Inc., 2) Kleinfelder, and 3) Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,800,000 for a period of two years with the option to extend each agreement for an additional period of one year, subject to Board approval.

Executive Summary

Currently, the Long Beach Utilities Department (LBUD) has contracts with five engineering consultants, 1) Smith Emery Laboratories, 2) WSP USA Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc., 3) Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical, 4) Twining, Inc., and 5) RMA Group to perform geotechnical engineering services on an as-needed basis. These contracts are due to expire on July 14, 2024. The purpose of these new contracts is to establish a rotating list of on-call consultants with relevant experience who will be required to respond within short notice to any needed geotechnical engineering service.

On January 10, 2024, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was posted on LB Buys and distributed to 73 vendors self-assigned to the category of Geotechnical Engineering. On February 8, 2024, 11 proposals were received and opened. The proposals submitted by 1) Twining, Inc., 2) Kleinfelder, and 3) Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical were found to be in conformance with the requirements of the RFP.

Fiscal Impact

The cost to the Water Fund will be incurred in FY 24 and FY 25 and the total amount will not exceed the contract total of \$1,800,000. These costs are included in the Water Fund FY 24 Budget and financial projections.

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General Manager

Attachment

ON-CALL GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES

PROPOSAL EVALUATION

Rank	Consultant	Identification/ Certification	Reason for Selection
1	Twining	Disclosed: None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Understanding • Experience on Similar Projects • Project Approach and Methodology • Local
2	Kleinfelder	Disclosed: None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience on Similar Projects • Project Approach and Methodology
3	Ninyo & Moore	Disclosed: MBE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Understanding • Experience on Similar Projects • Project Approach and Methodology
4	AESCO	Disclosed: WBE	
5	Tetra Tech	Disclosed: None	
6	GeoCon West	Disclosed: None	
7	Group Delta	Disclosed: None	
8	RMA	Disclosed: None	
9	TGR Geo	Disclosed: MBE, DBE, SBE	
10	ENGEO	Disclosed: None	
11	TKE Engineering	Disclosed: None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disqualified Proposal

DBE: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	LBSBE: Long Beach Small Business Enterprise
DOBE: Disability-Owned Business Enterprise	SBE: Small Business Enterprise
MBE: Minority Business Enterprise	VSBE: Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprise
MIC: Microbusiness	WBE: Women-owned Business Enterprise
OSB: California Office of Small Business	

The Request for Proposal (RFP) document was made available from the Purchasing Division website at Long Beach Buys (<https://longbeachbuys.buyspeed.com/bsol/>).

- 81 potential engineering firms were notified of this opportunity.

An RFP announcement was also included in the City's Purchasing Division's weekly update of Open RFP/Bid Opportunities, which is sent to 38 local, minority-owned, and women-owned business groups.

- 11 proposals were received on February 8, 2024 (see above matrix)