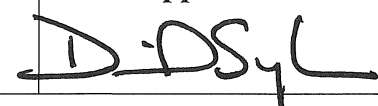


CITY COUNCIL ACTION REQUEST

Department(s): Public Works	CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment	Coordination: City Attorney's Office	Dept. Approval: /s/ Matt Cano
Council District(s): Citywide			CMO Approval: 

SUBJECT: MASTER AGREEMENTS WITH SIGNET, INC., CONSTRUCTION TESTING SERVICES, INC., AND INTERTEK/PSI, INC. FOR SPECIAL INSPECTION SERVICES FOR VARIOUS CITY FACILITIES PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the master agreements with Signet Inc., Construction Testing Services Inc., and Intertek/PSI Inc. for Special Inspection services from the date of execution through December 31, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for each agreement.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

In May 2018, the City conducted a Request for Qualifications seeking qualified special inspection firms to provide special inspections and testing. Negotiations for the agreements concluded in July 2018. Under the proposed master agreements, project consultant services will be initiated by authorized service orders detailing the specific scope of services, schedule and compensation along with the appropriate funding source(s) for the project. All three of the firms who submitted proposals were qualified. Those firms are, Signet, Inc, Construction Testing Services, Inc. and Intertek/PSI, Inc. It is desirable to have all three firms under contract due to the large variety and volume of projects needing services for the next two years.

The City Facilities Architectural Services Division of the Department of Public Works is currently providing construction administration services for parks facilities and amenities, trails, police and fire facilities, community centers, libraries, and the airport projects. Most urgently, the current Design Build project (San Jose International Airport - Interim Facility - Four Gates Project), will have immediate and continuous special inspections for one year. The assessed overall need in next two years is estimated in range of \$2,250,000. Public Works anticipates issuing service orders to each consultant equally based on the consultant's current workload and availability.

To ensure the most qualified consultant is selected to perform each Service Order, the Public Works Department shall award by notifying all three consultants about upcoming service orders and ranking their proposals by price and workload availability.

The anticipated projects are: San Jose International Airport: Interim Facility-Four Gates, South End Demolition, 12 gate Terminal Expansion, Baggage Handling System, Central Utility Plant, and Economy Lot Garage. Arcadia Ball Park buildings, St. James Park Levitt Pavilion, Police Uninterrupted Power Supply Upgrade, Overfelt Park Historical Chinese Structures, SAP Center South Bar, Tech Museum Expansion, Welch Park Neighborhood Center, Building Management Software upgrade at Mexican Heritage Plaza, Fire Training Relocation, Fire Station 29 generator replacement, Watson Park Improvements, Groesbeck Hill Park Renovation, Tamien Park Phase II, Communications Hill: Hillsdale Fitness Park – Turnkey, Coyote Creek Trail (Story to Phelan), Coyote Creek Trail (Brokaw to Union Pacific Railroad), Coyote Creek Trail (Hwy 280 to Story Road), Coyote Creek Trail (Singleton Road Crossing/Ped Bridge), Lighting upgrades for Roosevelt, Alviso, and Columbus Parks, and, various Fire, Police, and Library Building Upgrades.

The California Building Code requires continuous and/or periodic special inspections and testing of both structural and civil elements. These inspections are needed in conjunction with the inspections that City inspectors provide on a regular basis. Currently, City staff does not have the expertise to provide the specialty inspections and testing, as the process that is required to obtain the large variety of licenses and certifications necessary to provide the services are expensive to obtain and maintain.

COST AND FUNDING SOURCE:

No funding is needed to approve master agreements. Funding sources will be identified in the service orders issued to the firms as detailed scopes are defined and cost and schedules are negotiated. In most instances, funding will be supplied by existing appropriations within the City's Capital Improvement Program.

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