City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum
Purchase Resolution – Exhibit "A"

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
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SUBJECT: Thea Foss and Wheeler-Osgood Waterways Operations, Maintenance and Monitoring Program Consultant Services Contract - Request for Qualifications Specification No. CT12-0001F – January 26, 2016
DATE: December 31, 2015

SUMMARY:
The Environmental Services Department recommends a consultant services contract be awarded to Floyd Snider, Inc., Seattle, WA, in an amount not to exceed $326,759, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the ES Surface Water Fund 4301, for technical services related to year 10 monitoring activities associated with the sediment cleanup work in the Thea Foss and Wheeler-Osgood Waterways to be completed before the end of 2017.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

This project is being performed under the City's Consent Decree with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Monitoring to be performed in 2016 represents a critical point in time as the tenth year of the post-construction period. This work will determine whether the project is continuing to meet the performance standards established by the EPA and will also complete the work required under the existing Operations, Maintenance and Monitoring Plan (OMMP). It will set the groundwork for negotiation of the long-term OMMP to be developed when this round of monitoring is complete.

BACKGROUND:

ISSUE: The City is entering its tenth year of compliance monitoring since completion of the remedial action in the Thea Foss and Wheeler-Osgood Waterways in 2006. This work is being performed under a Consent Decree with the EPA. Floyd Snider, Inc. has been providing technical support to the City intermittently for the duration of this project, assisting City staff with the performance of the various activities, and providing technical analysis and reporting of the data to evaluate compliance with project requirements. This year's work is comprehensive and requires an additional level of analysis. The proposed contract includes technical and strategic support for negotiation of the long-term monitoring plan to be negotiated with EPA in conjunction with this year's monitoring. It is anticipated that work under the contract will be completed before the end of 2017.

This critical tenth year of monitoring is the last year covered by the current OMMP. Because it will form the basis for development of the long-term monitoring plan, it is important that this year's monitoring and the subsequent analysis and reporting be performed in as comprehensive and consistent a manner as possible to ensure that the long-term monitoring plan is protective, reasonable and cost effective.

ALTERNATIVES: Two alternatives, other than entering into this consultant services contract, include the City choosing to not have professional services assist City staff during this project, or the City choosing to pursue a contract with a different engineering consultant. Due to the complex nature of this project, the specific experience required, and the necessary consistency with prior analyses needed to complete this final year of monitoring under the current OMMP, staff determined that it would be in the best interest of the City to enter into a consultant services contract with Floyd Snider, Inc. to complete the monitoring and assist in negotiation of the long-term monitoring plan.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION: Floyd Snider, Inc. was selected using the Citywide Architectural and Engineering (A&E) Roster, Request for Qualifications Specification No. CT12-0001F, dated December 5, 2011. Three firms were considered and are ranked below.

Respondent	Location *(city and state)*	Rank or Score
Floyd Snider, Inc.	**Seattle, WA**	**1**
GeoEngineers	Tacoma, WA	2
Hart Crowser, Inc.	Seattle, WA	3

Based on this review, it was determined that entering into this contract with Floyd Snider, Inc. is in the City's best interest. While there are other consultants on the roster that are technically qualified for this work, Floyd Snider's personnel uniquely provide continuity with monitoring performed over the past ten years. We feel that this will put the City in the best position to evaluate performance of the remedy and negotiate the long-term monitoring plan for the Thea Foss and Wheeler-Osgood Waterways.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: Implementation of this required project is a part of the City's overall effort to address the Superfund designation of the Thea Foss and Wheeler-Osgood Waterways, and provides for the efficient and effective monitoring and management of the remediated sediments to protect the shoreline environment.

SBE/LEAP COMPLIANCE: Not Applicable.

RECOMMENDATION:
The Environmental Services Department recommends a contract be awarded to Floyd Snider, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $326,759, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the ES Surface Water Fund 4301, for technical services related to the year 10 monitoring activities associated with the sediment cleanup work completed in the Thea Foss and Wheeler-Osgood Waterways to be completed before the end of 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4301 ES Surface Water Fund	80010821	5310100	$326,759
TOTAL			**$326,759**

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4301 ES Surface Water Fund	Rate Revenues	Various	$326,759
TOTAL			**$326.759**

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: $326,759

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes