



THE PORT
OF LOS ANGELES

Executive Director's
Report to the
Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: NOVEMBER 30, 2022

FROM: WATERFRONT AND COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - PROPOSED FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NO. E7134 BETWEEN AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC. AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HARBOR DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval of the First Amendment to Agreement No. E7134 (Agreement) with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., (AECOM) to continue to provide consultant services to the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) for the Wilmington Marinas Plan (Plan). Agreement E7134 was for a one-year duration, and the not to exceed amount was \$150,000. The proposed Amendment will extend the Agreement an additional six months to March 23, 2023. Compensation will not exceed the remaining \$38,000 available under E7134. At the time of the expiration of the contract, a final report was being readied for management review.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board):

1. Find that the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines;
2. Find in accordance with Charter Section 1022 that the scope of work of the proposed Agreement can be more economically and feasibly provided by an independent contractor than by City employees;
3. Approve and ratify the First Amendment to Agreement E7134 with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to extend the term for an additional six months, through March 23, 2023, for a total term of eighteen (18) months;
4. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the First Amendment for and on behalf of the Board; and
5. Adopt Resolution No. _____.

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DISCUSSION:

Background – Agreement E7134 (Transmittal 1) was executed on September 23, 2021, to AECOM to provide consultant services to the Harbor Department for the Wilmington Marinas Plan (Plan). The Plan is a long-term plan to comprehensively analyze the existing marinas located in Wilmington and produce recommendations to optimize facilities and operations. The existing marinas’ leases are predominantly set to expire on October 31, 2025. The Plan will analyze market and economic feasibility for private marina developer/operator(s) to be sufficiently incentivized to make necessary modifications, improvements and/or reconfigurations. Analysis is based on issues related to, but not limited to, development cost, expected future revenue, operations, infrastructure, financing, environmental considerations, and schedule. The Plan will include implementation recommendations to achieve the development of the Wilmington Marinas, which may or may not include, Requests for Proposals, lease renewals, and/or lease expansions.

Amendment – The proposed First Amendment (Transmittal 2) to the Agreement by and between AECOM and the Harbor Department grants an additional six months to provide consultant services on the Plan. If approved, the Agreement would expire on March 23, 2023.

The consultant was not able to complete the work within the one-year duration because of delays in finalizing redevelopment alternatives for the Wilmington Marinas and reassessment of post pandemic assumptions with regard to construction costs, slip demand, and the availability of financing. The majority of the scope had been completed at the time of the expiration of the contract and, a final report was being readied for management review. Extending the Agreement will allow AECOM to complete the scope of work.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is approval of the First Amendment to the Agreement with AECOM for consultant services, which is an administrative activity. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of CEQA in accordance with Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost of the proposed amended Agreement is not to exceed the remaining \$38,000 available under E7134. The original agreement amount was \$150,000. Funds for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 in the amount of \$38,000 are available within Account 54290, Cost Center 0429.

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CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has reviewed and approved the proposed First Amendment as to form and legality.

TRANSMITTALS:

1. Agreement E7134
2. First Amendment to E7134

FIS Approval: MB
CA Approval: SO

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