



**THE PORT
OF LOS ANGELES**
Executive Director's
Report to the
Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: DECEMBER 11, 2019
FROM: GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS
**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - FIRST AMENDMENT TO
AGREEMENT NO. 18-3598 BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
HARBOR DEPARTMENT AND SHAW, YODER, ANTWIH, INC.**

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval of a First Amendment to Agreement No. 18-3598 between the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) and Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Inc. (Shaw), for California State (State) government advocacy representation for the Harbor Department. The proposed First Amendment is to reflect a change in the consultant's name to Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Schmelzer, and Lange, Inc. All other terms and conditions of Agreement No. 18-3598 remain unchanged.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended 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. Approve the proposed First Amendment to Agreement No. 18-3598 with Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Inc. to reflect a change in the consultant's name to Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Schmelzer, and Lange, Inc.;
3. Authorize the Executive Director or Designee to execute, and the Board Secretary to attest to, the proposed First Amendment to Agreement No. 18-3598; and
4. Adopt Resolution No. _____.

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DISCUSSION:

City of Los Angeles (City) Representation – The Los Angeles City Charter (Charter), Section 231 (h), and Mayor Eric Garcetti’s Executive Directive No. 4 (June 24, 2014) specify that the Office of the Mayor holds primary responsibility for the City’s intergovernmental relations. The Charter provision and the procedures adopted to carry out this provision are designed to ensure a unified voice and coordinated legislative strategy when representing the City’s interests.

The Harbor Department’s Government Affairs Division (GAD) works closely with the Mayor’s Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations at the State level to advance the Harbor Department’s legislative agenda, support the Harbor Department’s strategic goals, and pursue a broad range of Harbor Department objectives, including protecting and securing funding and developing policy related to port-related infrastructure, security, trade development, and environmental protection.

Need for First Amendment– On October 7, 2019 Shaw notified the Harbor Department that the firm changed its name from Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Inc. to Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Schmelzer, and Lange, Inc. to reflect current partnership of the firm which has been in place for four years, since 2015.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is approval of a First Amendment to Agreement No. 18-3598 with Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Inc. which is an administrative activity. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article II Section 2 (f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The proposed First Amendment to Agreement No. 18-3598 is administrative in nature resulting in no additional financial impact.

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CITY ATTORNEY:

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

TRANSMITTAL:

1. First Amendment to Agreement No. 18-3598 between the City of Los Angeles and Shaw, Yoder, Antwih, Inc.

FIS Approval: 

CA Approval: 



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