

**DATE: DECEMBER 16, 2025**  
**FROM: COMMUNITY RELATIONS**  
**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES AMONG THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HARBOR DEPARTMENT AND CHRIS VALLE PHOTOGRAPHY, INC., NICK SOUZA PHOTOGRAPHY INC., AND ANASTASIOS PAPADAKIS DBA TASO PAPADAKIS PHOTOGRAPHY**

**SUMMARY:**

Staff requests approval of three agreements with Chris Valle Photography, Inc., Nick Souza Photography Inc., and Anastasios Papadakis dba Taso Papadakis Photography for on-call professional photography services for events and other matters involving the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department).

Total spending authority under the three proposed agreements will not exceed \$75,000 in aggregate over a three-year term. The Harbor Department is financially responsible for payment of expenses incurred under the proposed agreements.

**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. Approve the three agreements for a term of three years each and an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$75,000;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the agreements for and on behalf of the Board; and
4. Adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_.

**DISCUSSION:**

Background – The Harbor Department has a periodic need of professional photography services for photo and video documentation of events; engineering and construction project progress; crane and ship first arrivals; as well as aerial photos of the Port complex.

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These photos and videos serve a variety of documentation functions – from press releases and social media posts, to engineering and construction files and archives. On occasion, a professional photographer or videographer may be required to assist staff, or when specialized expertise is required.

Selection Process – The As-Needed Photography Services Request for Proposals (RFP) was released on July 30, 2025, and posted on the Harbor Department website and the Regional Alliance Marketplace for Procurement (RAMP). The Harbor Department received 14 proposals by the August 27, 2025 deadline. One proposal was non-responsive.

A selection committee consisting of two Harbor Department staff members and one staff member from Port of Long Beach reviewed the proposals. After a complete review, staff recommends that the Board award agreements to the following top three firms:

- Chris Valle Photography, Inc. (Transmittal 1)
- Nick Souza Photography Inc. (Transmittal 2)
- Anastasios Papadakis dba Taso Papadakis Photography (Transmittal 3)

**RFP Rating Matrix**

Team	Rater Average Score			Final Score
	A	B	C	
<b>1*</b>	92	100	89	<b>93</b>
<b>2*</b>	87	95	89	<b>90</b>
<b>3*</b>	86	92	90	<b>89</b>
<b>4</b>	92	89	80	<b>87</b>
<b>5</b>	81	90	84	<b>85</b>
<b>6</b>	87	84	84	<b>85</b>
<b>7</b>	77	83	83	<b>81</b>
<b>8</b>	68	82	77	<b>76</b>
<b>9</b>	75	66	72	<b>71</b>
<b>10</b>	68	70	72	<b>70</b>
<b>11</b>	72	64	75	<b>70</b>
<b>12</b>	54	58	67	<b>60</b>
<b>13</b>	38	38	43	<b>40</b>

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**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

The proposed action is the approval of three agreements for on-call photography services for a term of three years, 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:**

Approval of the proposed agreements with Chris Valle Photography, Inc., Nick Souza Photography Inc., and Anastasios Papadakis dba Taso Papadakis Photography authorizes a total aggregate amount of \$25,000 per year for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000 over three years. Spending under the proposed Agreements is anticipated to occur as follows:

<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
2025/26	\$15,000
2026/27	\$25,000
2027/28	\$25,000
2028/29	\$10,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>

Fiscal Year 2025/26 funding in the amount of \$15,000 is available within Account 544160 (Misc. Professional Services), Division 20200 (Community Relations), Project 60000003 (Photographer). The Harbor Department's financial commitments for the proposed agreements beyond the current fiscal year are contingent upon approval of funds by the Board as part of the annual budget adoption process. If future fiscal year funds are not appropriated by the Board for the work required by the proposed agreements, the agreements shall be terminated. However, such termination shall not relieve the parties of liability for any obligation previously incurred.

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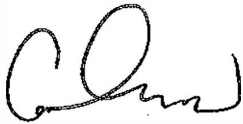
CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has prepared and approved the proposed agreements as to form and legality.

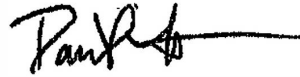
TRANSMITTALS:

1. Agreement with Chris Valle Photography, Inc.
2. Agreement with Nick Souza Photography Inc.
3. Agreement with Anastasios Papadakis dba Taso Papadakis Photography

FIS Approval: JS  
 CA Approval: SO



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