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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: 
Kim Roberts
SCVHHS - Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Professional Services Agreement for Special Inspection and Material Testing Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Consider recommendations relating to Special Inspection and Material Testing Services for the Seismic Safety Project.

Possible action:

- a. Approve the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Consolidated Engineering Laboratories for Special Inspection and Material Testing Services, with a Maximum Compensation Limit of \$1,350,000 for period July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2012.
- b. Authorize the Director, SCVHHS Facilities to be the Owner's Authorized Representative to execute Project Agreements for services during the term of the PSA, and to perform other administrative functions pursuant to the PSA.
- c. Authorize the Director, SCVHHS Facilities to execute amendments to the PSA, extending the term up to six months beyond December 31, 2012, and to increasing the PSA's by up to \$200,000, if necessary.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Project Agreements authorized and executed during the term of this PSA will be funded from the Seismic Safety Project funds in the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center (SCVMC) Capital Budget.

CONTRACT HISTORY

A Request for Qualification and Proposal for special inspection and material testing services

was issued publicly through the County of Santa Clara's Procurement Department (Bid Sync) online notifications service. Inquiries were made by 14 firms, five of which submitted written proposals. All five firms were interviewed by a selection panel. Firm qualifications were evaluated through a ranking and point structure, on company and personnel work experience, personnel resources, managing services, technical and laboratory capability, reporting methods, client relationships, local business, and completeness of proposal price and rates.

The selection panel concluded that Consolidated Engineering Laboratories (CEL) was best qualified to serve the interests of the project. CEL's strengths include: significant Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development (OSHPD) experience as a company and with personnel proposed for the Project; prior experience with the unique steel design system required on this Project; a competitive rate schedule; and a thorough understanding of the project reflected in their proposed price. CEL has no prior service contract history with SCVMC.

This is a Type I service contract, subject to the Resolution of Contracting Principles adopted by the Board of Supervisors on October 28, 1997.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Specialty inspection and testing services are needed to oversee and perform operational specialty testing and inspections for the Seismic Safety Project as required by the OSHPD - Testing, Inspection & Observation program over the course of construction, all applicable NFPA codes, and Title 24 California Building Codes.

After execution of the Professional Service Agreement, Project Agreements will be developed by the Seismic Safety Project Team with fees to be negotiated based on the scope of work in each Project Agreement. Authorizing the Director, SCVHHS Facilities to be the Owner's Authorized Representative to execute Project Agreements and to perform other administrative functions pursuant to each Project Agreement is recommended to assist Seismic Safety Project Team in the efficient administration of this PSA.

BACKGROUND

Special inspection and material testing firms provide specially trained staff who are certified to inspect and test construction materials, concrete mix design, steel construction, miscellaneous metals, structural welding, stair fabrication, and other aspects of building construction to insure that construction and materials specifications are met. The training and certification that specialty inspectors have is greater than the County would typically hire and maintain on a full-time basis. In addition, the specialized services are required at key, but not continuous, intervals during a project.

Coupled with specialty inspectors is the firm's testing laboratories which provide required strength testing for concrete pours and evaluation/testing of other specified materials.

Special inspection and material testing firms work in conjunction with OSHPD's certified Inspector(s) of Record and Area Compliance Officers, and the Structural Engineer of Record.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Failure to approve the recommended actions may impact the timeliness of the County's certifications and the project schedule.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will:

- Send Keyboard notification to Duane Oberquell, Director of SCVHHS Facilities.
- Execute original PSA and return it to the SCVMC Seismic Safety Project Office.

ATTACHMENTS

- Testing Agreement