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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 309607

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE APR 2 2 2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC. FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE BENEFICIAL USE OF LANDFILL GAS IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15306.

WHEREAS, the Environmental Services Department of the City of San Diego (City) desires to analyze potential landfill gas to energy projects at the City's landfills in order to consider alternative energy generation projects in addition to controlling surface emissions in compliance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into an four (4) year agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. to provide environmental consulting services related to the beneficial use of landfill gas; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.), section 21084, states that the CEQA Guidelines thereto (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq.) shall list those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall be exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300-15333 list the categorical exemptions promulgated by the California Office of Planning and Research and

adopted by the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency for those classes of Projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Department has established that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15306, and that no exception to the exemption, as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2, applies to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego has considered the potential environmental effects of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed public meeting and considered the written record for the Project as well as public comment; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment as the Project is an agreement for environmental consulting services that involves data collection, research, and resource evaluation activities that do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego determines that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15306 and that an exception to the exemption does not apply.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego has determined that an exception to the exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 does not apply.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By
Amanda L. Guy
Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of ___APR 1 4 2015 .

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

Deputy City Oerk

Approved: 4/21/15

KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

Vetoed: _____(date)

KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

Passed by the Council of Th	ne City of San Diego on	APR-14	4 2015 , by the	he following vote:
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