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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 315790

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE AS-NEEDED CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH SCS ENGINEERS, INC. TO PROVDE SERVICES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE GREENHOUSE GAS REGULATIONS AT CITY OF SAN DIEGO LANDFILLS IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT UNDER TITLE 14 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 15306.

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

- A. The City of San Diego's (City) Environmental Services Department (ESD) desires to enter into a contract with SCS Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 to provide as-needed consulting services in order to provide compliance with applicable local, state, and federal GHG regulations at City landfills (Project).
- B. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), California Public Resources Code (Code) sections 21000-21189.3, provides in Code section 21083 that the California Office of Planning and Research will promulgate, and the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency will adopt, guidelines for implementation of CEQA. The California Office of Planning and Research promulgated, and the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency adopted, the guidelines for implementation of CEQA set forth in Title 14 California Code of Regulations sections 15000 through 15387 (CEQA Guidelines).
- C. Code section 21084 requires the CEQA Guidelines to include a list of classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and are

exempt from the provisions of CEQA. CEQA Guidelines sections 15300 through 15333 list classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and declared to be exempt from preparation of environmental documents under CEQA.

- D. The Council has considered the written record related to the Project and all public comments about the potential environmental effects of the Project. The Council, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA under CEQA Guidelines section 15306 (titled "Information Collection") on the basis that the Project would consist of data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.
- E. No exception to the application of a categorical exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 applies to the Project.
- F. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff (including information provided by affected third parties and verified by City staff), with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

- The Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA under CEQA
 Guidelines section 15306.
- 2. No exception to the application of a categorical exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 applies to the Project.

The City Clerk or designee is directed to file a Notice of Exemption in accordance 3. with CEQA with the San Diego County Clerk's Office and the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research regarding the Project. APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney By William Tyler Smith Deputy City Attorney WTS:lmj:jdf 09/04/2024 Or.Dept: ESD Doc. No. 3780609 I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on OCT 01 2024 DIANA J.S. FUENTES City Clerk

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed:

(date)

Passed by the Council of The Ci	ity of San Diegc	on0C	T 01 2024	_, by the following vote:
Councilmembers Joe LaCava Jennifer Campbell Stephen Whitburn Henry L. Foster III	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
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