(R-2025-548)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 316288

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF AN AS-NEEDED CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH ASCENT ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR AS-NEEDED MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PLANNING CONSULTANT SERVICES AND RELATED ACTIONS.

## **RECITALS**

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

- A. The City of San Diego (City) utilizes as-needed consultant agreements to support the City Planning Department's long-range planning initiatives.
- B. In July 2024, the City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit the services of a qualified consultant to provide planning services on an as-needed basis. Sixteen firms submitted timely proposals in response to the RFP. City staff selected Ascent Environmental, Inc. (Consultant), along with five other firms, based on its qualifications in accordance with Council Policy 300-07.
- C. The City desires to retain Consultant to provide professional planning services on an as-needed basis for tasks requiring specialized technical expertise in the preparation and support of long-range planning initiatives.
- D. The City and Consultant negotiated a contract, Number 10090174-25-D (Consultant Agreement), included in the docket materials accompanying this Resolution. The Consultant Agreement is for a term of five years and in an amount not to exceed \$3 million.
- E. 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:

- 1. The Council approves the Consultant Agreement.
- 2. The Mayor or his designee is authorized, on the City's behalf, to sign and deliver the Consultant Agreement for a period of five years, in an amount not to exceed \$3 million under the terms and conditions in the Consultant Agreement. When signed by both parties, the Consultant Agreement will be placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 316288
- 3. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to appropriate and expend funds under the Consultant Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$3 million over five years, contingent upon the adoption of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the applicable fiscal year and contingent upon the Chief Financial Officer first furnishing one or more certificates certifying that the funds necessary for expenditure are, or will be, on deposit with the City Treasurer.
- 4. Amendments to the Consultant Agreement that do not change any material terms of the Consultant Agreement or any of the scope of work under the Consultant Agreement may be administratively approved by the City.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

By

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Deputy City Attorney

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May 6, 2025

Or.Dept: City Planning

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|           |                                | DIANA J.S. FUENTES<br>City Clerk                  |
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| Approved: | (date)                         | CTODD GLORIA, Mayor                               |
| Vetoed:   | (date)                         | TODD GLORIA, Mayor                                |