

Administrative Report

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TO: HARBOR COMMISSION

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DIRECTOR

TITLE

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE WORKING GROUP FOR THE PUBLIC AMENITIES PLAN FOR KING HARBOR

BACKGROUND

On January 12, 2021, the Redondo Beach City Council directed staff to initiate the process of drafting a Request for Proposals ("RFP") for a qualified consultant, or consultant team, to prepare a public amenities plan for King Harbor. At the February 8, 2021 and March 8, 2021 meetings, the Harbor Commission reviewed and provided comments on a draft RFP prepared by staff. On March 16, 2021, the draft RFP was presented to the Redondo Beach City Council and the Council authorized issuance of the RFP.

The RFP was issued in mid-April and sent to approximately twenty-six (26) different consultants which included engineering firms, landscape architects, and multidisciplinary firms that have in-house planning and engineering services. In addition, the RFP was posted to LinkedIn, the American Planning Association RFQ/RFP Marketplace, and the City's website. Responses to the RFP were due on May 24, 2021. The City received five responses from the following firms/teams:

- CMG Landscape Architecture/Moffat and Nichol
- Groundworks Office/Anchor QEA
- Hirsch & Associates/Anchor QEA
- Moore Ruble Yudell/PSOMAS
- SWA/Anchor QEA

A selection committee comprised of representatives from the Waterfront and Economic Development Department, Public Works, Community Development, and the Chair of the Harbor Commission reviewed the proposals and selected three teams to participate in a oral interviews which were conducted on June 28th and June 29th. Following the interviews, the selection committee met to discuss the teams/proposals and unanimously selected the SWA Group for recommendation to the City Council.

As the lead, SWA demonstrated exceptional experience on projects of similar scope and scale and their design operation allows them to draw from a deep bench of professionals. In addition, SWA

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assembled an exceptional team that meet all of the various disciplines required to prepare the Public Amenities Plan. Finally, their proposed scope of work was comprehensive and outlined a clear approach to completing the Plan within the desired timeframe, including an expedited process for the planning of Moonstone Park.

On August 17, 2021, the Redondo Beach City Council approved the Agreement for Consulting Services with SWA Group. The Agreement sets forth the scope of work, the schedule for the work effort, the term of the contract, and the not-to-exceed contract total of \$242,872. An updated schedule for the scope of work is attached as Exhibit A.

The scope of work envisions a process which involves the creation of a Working Group that will interact with the consultant team on a regular basis and vet proposed concepts prior to each community outreach effort. Previously the Harbor Commission took action to appoint three Harbor Commissioners to the Working Group - Commissioners Carlson, Walters, and Chrzan. Staff has been working with the Commission Chair and the Vice Chair to prepare a recommendation to the Harbor Commission for the remaining members of the Working Group, which are as follows:

- Four (4) City Staff Members:
 - o The Waterfront and Economic Development Director;
 - The Public Works Director;
 - o The Community Development Director; and
 - o A Public Safety representative.
- Three (3) Stakeholders:
 - Jeff Jones representing Quality Seafood a commercial lessee in the Harbor;
 - Craig Stanton the manager of the Redondo Beach Marina; and
 - Mark Hansen member of the King Harbor Yacht Club and representing general boating interests.

Staff recommends the Harbor Commission receive and file this Administrative Report and provide any further direction necessary regarding the composition of the Working Group.

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit A - Updated Schedule for Public Amenities Plan from SWA Group

Exhibit B - Proposed Community Participation Plan from SWA Group