

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2022-132

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ROSSDRULISCUSENBERRY ARCHITECTURE, INC., A SONOMA, CALIFORNIA FIRM, FOR COMPLETION OF THE HEARN COMMUNITY HUB – NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND COLLABORATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2022, the City Council voted unanimously to approve the acquisition of the identified six-acre site for a municipal project called the Hearn Community Hub; and

WHEREAS, the property acquisition allows the City to move forward on plans for the future extension of Dutton Avenue and the Colgan Creek Multi-Use Path, and for multiple public uses, including a fire station, a public library, a multicultural community center, an aquatic and recreation center, and/or a neighborhood park; and

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2022, Council passed resolution RES-2022-029 appropriating the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and remaining PG&E settlement funds and approving the related spending plans; and

WHEREAS, included in that spending plan is the ARPA funded Hearn Community Hub/Complex in the amount of \$10,000,000, to be used to develop and begin construction of the multi-use site; and

WHEREAS, the City will conduct an in-depth evaluation of the urgent and worthy needs of southwest Santa Rosa residents and community partners, along with a robust community engagement strategy to brainstorm and prioritize innovative and effective community investments that support positive, sustainable, and culturally relevant changes in the community; and

WHEREAS, key outcomes of the Hearn Community Hub – Needs Assessment and Collaboration Project will be to provide input and data to the Council on possible uses at the Hearn Community Hub site; and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2022, the Office of Community Engagement released a Request for Proposals for the Hearn Community Hub – Needs Assessment and Collaboration Project; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Engagement seeks to contract with an individual or firm that will provide strong facilitation and analytical skills, and that will support the creation of a comprehensive, realistic, and manageable community needs assessment and community engagement strategy, with clearly identified measurements of success, that will guide the City in the development of the Hearn Community Hub site; and

WHEREAS, the selected consultant will also highlight key areas where the City will seek to make improvements with existing community engagement efforts using best practices, including trauma-informed care, and provide recommendations for continued outreach for the City as the Project moves forward with the information gathered; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2022, a Proposal Review Team comprised of City staff and six community members met to review, discuss and select one consultant for the Hearn Community Hub – Needs Assessment and Collaboration Project; and

WHEREAS, the Proposal Review Team selected RossDrulisCusenbery Architecture, Inc. to develop a Community Needs Assessment in collaboration with City staff and key project stakeholders; to implement the Community Needs assessment; to conduct an in-depth community engagement process to provide community members with opportunities to weigh-in on the vision for the Hearn Community Hub multi-use site; and to create a final report incorporating findings from the Community Needs Assessment and Community Engagement Strategy, which will be presented to City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa approves and authorizes the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute a Professional Services Agreement with RossDrulisCusenbery Architecture, Inc., a Sonoma, California firm, for the completion of the Hearn Community Hub – Needs Assessment and Collaboration Project, based on the current form of the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$138,343.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 21st day of June, 2022.

AYES: (6) Mayor C. Rogers, Vice Mayor Alvarez, Council Members Fleming, MacDonald, N. Rogers, Schwedhelm

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Council Member Sawyer

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
Deputy City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney

Exhibit A – Professional Services Agreement