

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2020-044

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PLACEWORKS, INC. FOR PREPARATION OF THE SANTA ROSA 2050 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND APPROPRIATION OF \$1,605,3124 FROM THE GENERAL FUND RESERVES

WHEREAS, the Santa Rosa 2035 General Plan was adopted in 2009, and since the adoption of the Santa Rosa 2035 General Plan in 2009, the City has experienced low housing production and increased homelessness, the destruction of housing and displacement of residents by the Tubbs fire, the impact of cannabis business activity on industrial and commercial land, and the annexation of the Roseland community into the City; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive update of the City's General Plan is required to address these issues as well as to remedy infrastructure and service deficiency, and environmental degradation within designated disadvantaged community areas within the City; and

WHEREAS, at an August 13, 2019 Study Session, Council discussed the Planning & Economic Development Department's proposal for to preparing a comprehensive update of the Santa Rosa 2035 General Plan and Environmental Impact Report; and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2019, the City issued a request for proposals to prepare a comprehensive general plan update and environmental impact report for the Santa Rosa 2050 General Plan and received two (2) proposals at the close of the extended bid period on November 14, 2019; and

WHEREAS, after a City review committee considered the proposals and interviewed the two candidate consultant teams, PlaceWorks, Inc., of Berkeley, California, was unanimously selected as the recommended consultant team based on their expertise and experience as most qualified to successfully complete the project scope of services within the allocated budget; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Economic Development Department has \$1,106,606 of the \$2,500,000 not-to-exceed amount for the Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks, Inc. in its current budget; and

WHEREAS, the City collects Advance Planning fees with building permits in prior fiscal years that are then credited towards the General Fund reserves, and the Advance Planning fees received through December 31, 2019 and credited to the in the General Fund reserves total \$1,605,314; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Economic Development Department recommends appropriating \$1,605,314 from the City's General Fund reserves to be used as follows: (1) \$1,393,394 to fund the remaining balance of costs associated with the \$2,500,000 Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks, Inc. not already in the Department's budget; and (2) \$211,920 for City staff costs related to the Santa Rosa 2050 General Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Placeworks, Inc. is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa approves a Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000, in substantially the same form as Exhibit A, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to appropriate \$1,605,314 from the General Fund reserves to JL key 08015- “Gen Plan Revision Adv Planning,”

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 3rd day of March, 2020.

AYES: (6) Mayor Schwedhelm, Council Members Dowd, Olivares, Rogers, Sawyer, Tibbetts

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Vice Mayor Fleming

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Exhibit A – Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks, Inc.